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HANKOW EXPECTED TO FALL.

COMMUNIST CLIQUE ON LAST LEGS.

SWATOW MENACE ALARMING THE POPULACE.

TROOPS SENT FROM AMOY.

The outstanding feature of the news to-day is that the Communist clique at Hankow is on its last legs and that the Hankow Government is expected to fall shortly, mainly through lack of funds.

This is a not altogether unexpected development of the Nationalist split by which Hankow was cut off from Shanghai and Canton and left almost surrounded by unfriendly forces.

The menace to Swatow is increasing owing to the advance of "Red" forces on the City. The populace has become much alarmed, and reinforcements are urgently needed. Troops have already been sent from Amoy and Fukien.

Further news to hand regarding the routing of the "Reds" in Shuiukwan and district states that the Hunanese troops have now evacuated, leaving the police and Merchant Volunteers in control. Most of the Labour pickets and Peasant Corps have been disarmed and taken prisoners.

There is a conference at present taking place in Canton between military commanders regarding the coming expedition against Hunan—which is part of the drive on Hankow planned by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek. Operations are expected to begin so soon as the North River campaign is at an end.

CLEAN-UP OF "REDS" CONTINUES.

Shanghai, May 5.

The Communist clique at Hankow is believed to be on its last legs, and the Hankow Government is expected to fall shortly through shortage of funds.—*Naval Wireless.*

Hankow has been facing a crisis for several weeks. The natural refusal of foreigners to resume business, the complete lack of control amongst the labouring classes, and the added threat of attack on six sides, is gradually working up to a climax and ignominious failure now stares the Government in the face.

The difficulties were not eased by the recent severance of business between the Hankow banks and the Shanghai banks, and, though the Government thought to avert disaster by placing an embargo on silver, going to the lengths of searching every pedestrian and depriving him or her of all silver coins, the financial panic was only increased.

SWATOW MENACE GROWS.

"Reds" Slowly Advancing.

Swatow, May 5.
The "Red" forces are advancing slowly on Swatow, and there is considerable menace to the city unless sufficient reinforcements arrive in time.

A number of troops have already arrived from Amoy, and more are expected from Fukien.

Populace Alarmed.

It is understood to be the set purpose of the "Reds" to set fire to the principal parts of the city, and the populace is said to be alarmed.—*Naval Wireless.*

AMOY REPORTED CALM.

No Trouble Threatens.

Amoy, May 5.
Advices from British gunboats at Amoy indicate that the city is quiet, and that no trouble is expected.—*Naval Wireless.*

QUIET ON THE YANGTZE.

No Untoward Incidents.

Shanghai, May 5.
Shanghai is quiet, and no untoward incident has been reported on the Yangtze ports.—*Naval Wireless.*

ROUTING OF THE "REDS."

Hunanese Evacuate Shuiukwan.

Canton, May 5.

General Chien Ta-chun, the anti-"Red" campaign Field-Marshal, telegraphed to Canton yesterday evening reporting that the vanguards of Government forces are expected to reach Shuiukwan today.

According to General Chien's telegram, the "Red" Hunanese troops have evacuated Shuiukwan, which is under the control of police and Merchant Volunteers.

The "Government" troops have crossed the Washuek, but owing to the interruption of railway traffic their advance has been very slow, and will not be able to reach Shuiukwan till probably this afternoon.

The Hunanese troops, according to General Chien's telegram, have retreated to Lokohong, Pingshok and the bandits have hidden in the villages, but most searching every pedestrian and depriving him or her of all silver coins, the financial panic was only increased.

Coming Attack on Hunan.

General Chien returned to Canton this morning by a special train of the Yueh-Han railway, escorted by a battalion of bodyguards. The reason of General Chien's return is to confer with General Li Chai-sum on the proposed expedition against Hunan, which is shortly to begin, since the anti-"Red" operations on the North River are nearing an end.

The Army Headquarters have given orders that the offices of Commander of the 20th Division, Garrison Commander of Kwangchow districts, and Commander of Martial Law in Canton, which were held by General Chien Ta-chun, shall be held by General Wang Wen-hang, the vice-commander of the 20th Division.

This is because General Chien has to direct the anti-"Red" campaign at the front, and will not be able to look after the garrison in the rear for the present.

According to information obtained from the Wongshe railway station, the through train service from Canton to Shuiukwan will be resumed in a few days.—*Nam Chung Pao.*

TAKES UP POST.

C. C. Wu for Nanking.

Shanghai, May 5.
C. C. Wu has left for Nanking to take up his post as Foreign Minister.—*Reuter.*

BANDIT EVIL.

SUPPRESSION SCHEME FOR KWANGTUNG.

A TYPICAL DOCUMENT.

General Hsu Ching-tang, Provisionary Commander of the five districts of Kwangtung has outlined a scheme for bandit suppression, says the *Canton Gazette*. The scheme has been submitted to the Provincial Government for approval. It is learned that the Provincial Government has turned the matter over to the Department of Military Affairs for examination and approval. The salient points in Commander Hsu's bandit-suppression scheme are as follows:

Part One.

The reasons for the existence of banditry. There are many reasons why we have so many bandits in Kwangtung, the chief of which are as follows:

1.—There are too many unemployed vagrants in Kwangtung. As the prices of commodities have soared up, the cost of living has correspondingly increased. Furthermore, the incessant fighting of the soldiers has materially added to the devastation and ruin, so that in many places 9 houses of 10 are dilapidated or vacant. Added to these we still have frightful droughts and famines, which have destroyed and laid waste much arable land. The rich have become poor; the poor have become poorer. The industries have not been prosperous, and the people have found it very difficult to make a decent living. They are hard-pressed by such a kind of environment; and they therefore resort to the dangerous path of banditry.

2.—There are too many disheartened soldiers. When the allied forces swooped down from the East, the military authorities enlisted any one they could get, no attempt being made at careful selection. As a result of this carelessness, all sorts of people were taken into the army—bandit chiefs, ruffians, and what not. These pernicious elements usurped military authority and gathered together vagrants, marauders, disbanded soldiers and other bad characters. These soldier-bandits have committed, under the good name of the revolutionary army, all sorts of depredations. The heterodox of the soldiers at that time had reached the zenith of notoriety. On account of this our late Director, Dr. Sun Yat-sen, became very much worried over the situation. He then reorganized the Kuomintang and undertook to train up all the loyal and true Party members. Those counter-revolutionary elements together with those false revolutionary soldiers were one by one eliminated and driven away. But there were many equally bad characters who had slipped out unnoticed and hidden themselves in the mountains. These who stole forth to the mountains had taken their guns and ammunition with them. They associated themselves with the bandits there and made their living on banditry. As time went on the number of mountain bandits increased, and their weapons became sharp and penetrating. Their territory has also extended with their number of men. Being thus entrenched, they became very powerful and defiant.

3.—These bandits have been sheltered and protected by the greedy merchants and local ruffians.

4.—Peasants' armies and people's militia have been free to organize themselves, no restriction being placed upon them whatever. On account of this laxity they could easily be utilized by bandits for selfish and predatory purposes. Under the pretence of protection, much suffering has been inflicted upon the people in this way.

5.—Foreign imperialists' offer of assistance and refuge has also materially increased the number of bandits. Thus Hongkong and Macao have become a safe refuge for bandits.

Part Two.

The scheme of bandit-suppression. The reason for the audacity and effrontery of the Kwangtung bandits is as above stated. Historically considered these bandits are most firmly entrenched. It is no easy task to uproot and eradicate them.—*(Continued on Page 14.)*

FURTHER RIOTING IN INDIA.

TEMPLE DISPUTE LEADS TO BIG CLASH.

ARMOURD CARS HELD READY.

Bombay, May 5.

The *Evening News of India* reports a serious fracas in the famous Keshavnath temple, at Rikhabdee, Udaipur, between sects of Jains, regarding the right to perform the flag-hoisting ceremony in the temple.

Five Jains were killed and 160 injured.—*Reuter.*

14 Dead in Street Fights.

Lahore, May 5.
The casualties in the fighting between Hindus and Mohammedans, mentioned last night, now amount to 14 dead and 100 wounded. Half the latter are Hindus, the others being Sikhs and Moslems.

Funeral parties attending the burials of those killed have been limited to 100 each, accompanied by armed escorts.

There has been no further rioting, but six armoured cars are stationed at the police station to meet any emergency, and armed military pickets have been posted at the city gates. "Business is at a standstill."—*Reuter.*

Other Precautions Taken.

Delhi, May 5.
The authorities, fearing a repercussion of the riot trouble, have as a precaution posted mounted police at various danger points. Meanwhile all is quite.—*Reuter.*

TJILBOET STRANDING.

ENQUIRY AT BATAVIA.

We learn that the official enquiry into the stranding of the s.s. Tjilboet on Lin Ting island, as a result of which the vessel had to be cut in two to be saved, has been fixed to take place at Batavia, which is the Port of Registry of the vessel.

The Master of the vessel (Capt. Timmermann), the Marine Superintendent of the J.C.L.L., and those members of the ship's company whose evidence is material to the enquiry, have left Hongkong for Singapore to-day by the s.s. Tilawa, en route to Batavia.

Tenders for Vessel's Repair.

An advertisement appearing in the local press calls for tenders for the repair of the s.s. Tjilboet, as she now lies in Taikoo Dock.

An enquiry at the offices of the J.C.L.L. this morning elicited the information that there is no specific date for closing the tendering, but under the circumstances, it is anticipated that offers will be limited.

A decision will probably be reached on Monday or Tuesday next, and an announcement will then be made with regard to the reconstruction of the severed liner.

TAXING DUTCH SUBJECTS.

RESIDENTS ABROAD AFFECTED.

Amsterdam, May 5.

The Government has introduced a Bill ordering non-resident Netherlands to be assessed for income, property, death, and defence taxes, similarly to resident citizens.

State officials are exempt, also those whose business compels their residence abroad, providing their business is their principal source of income.

The Bill provides a penalty for the loss of nationality.—*Reuter.*

COLONIAL PROBATES.

BILL PASSED BY LORDS.

London, May 5.
The House of Lords has passed the third reading of the Colonial Probates Bill, which has not yet been passed by the House of Commons.—*Reuter.*

CHINA & POWERS.

MAIN PRINCIPLES OUTLINED.

NEED FOR CONSULTATION.

We hope that there is to be no serving from the moderation of the British Government's policy in China, comments the latest *London Observer* to hand. To that, above all, we owe the strengthening of our whole diplomatic position within the last few months. Patience will justify itself. At Hankow it went to unusual lengths. It has been ridiculed by the school of action-at-any-price. The Bolsheviks are better judges. They knew its wisdom, and were disappointed. There are firm and certain conditions which our Chinese policy must not transgress. It must be conducted under the utmost of restraint and it must move in step with the policies of other Powers. Above all things, it must refuse the role for which Moscow has cast it. There must be no sort of pretext for the charge that Britain is the special enemy of the national movement in China. The very contrary is the truth. We have as little to lose and as much to gain as any country mending with China in meeting Chinese endeavours for unity, independence, and self-respect with practical sympathy at every turn. In fact, trade, on terms mutually beneficial, is the main basis of Anglo-Chinese relations. The basis of trade is order and goodwill. We have every reason for showing disinterested sympathy and every reason, in the long run, for being believed. The truth will prevail. What Britain desires is not merely to compromise with the inconveniences of revolution. The root of British policy should be an active wish to see China brought under a progressive system of order and government by her own effort and in her own way, and to help her to that end by every means legitimately open to us. That must be made perfectly clear. We shall defeat Communist misrepresentation by sticking to the policy in face of incidental discouragement. Through it alone we shall arrive at an international conclusion. It is the one policy on which agreement and common action among the Powers can be based.

The lack of an understanding hitherto between the nations interested in China has been the main source of difficulties for all. None of them profits by it. It has become clearer within recent weeks, and presently it will be clearer still that all lose by it. Neither does China gain. The sole beneficiaries are the Russian agents using Chinese nationalism as the instrument of purely destructive revolution. Yet it has required the Nanking outrages to provoke concerted action, and that primarily for a negative, if necessary, purpose. If Britain, America, and Japan can go thus far together, can they not go further and more helpfully? It is nothing short of astonishing that there should have been no thorough consultation between the three Governments chiefly interested upon a problem common to all. Consultation implies no sacrifice of aims, deals, and interests. They can meet around a table with no disguise of divergencies, and determine upon what and how far they can agree. America and Japan are, like ourselves, stirred to natural indignation by the treatment of their nationals at Nanking and elsewhere. But demands for redress are not a policy. Except for demands and warnings, there can be no policy until the three Powers will descend to the elementary wisdom of discussing what they can do in concert.

Agreement among them would do everything to solve the Chinese problem peaceably and in full harmony both with nationalism in China and with the world's interest in the stability of that tremendous fraction of the human race. The British Empire is an association of communities scattered over the length and breadth of the world. Peace and order are its life. The United States are a compact society founded and prospering upon principles, in the best scenes, conservative. The heroic qualities which have given Japan her place in the modern world centre about the semi-sacred symbol of the monarchy. Revolutionary Communism is the extreme antithesis of everything prized and characteristic in these nations. They fail to agree, and they pro-

LABOUR OUTVOTED. IN COMMONS.

TRADES UNION BILL PASSES 2ND READING.

WORKERS WILL FIGHT.

London, May 5.

This last day of the debate in the House of Commons on the Trades Union Bill opened with a speech by Mr. Lloyd George, who criticised the ambiguities of the Bill, and opposed it on the grounds that it was "unwise and inexpedient at present."

He accused the Government of throwing discord into industry just when trade was beginning to recover.

A Vigorous Attack.

The debate on the Opposition side was wound up by Mr. J. H. Thomas, whose vigorous attack on the Bill pleased the Labourites.

He accused the Government of using the majority to try and cripple the workers' only bargaining power. The Labour Party would fight the Bill because it showed class bias. If the Ministerialists believed the Bill would deter a man from striking, they were living in a fool's paradise. The Labourites stood four-square against the Bill, and the agitation would continue if the Bill were passed.

Community's Rights.

Sir T. W. H. Inskip, replying for the Government, said the single question which emerged was whether the interests of the trades unions or the interests of the community were greater.

No community could long survive which suffered a stronger power than itself within its borders.

He emphasised that the Bill had been drawn so that there must be no doubt about the legality of an ordinary industrial strike.

Second Reading Passed.

The closure was carried by 388 to 168, after which Mr. J. R. Clynes' motion for rejection of the Bill was defeated by 386 to 171, and the Bill was read a second time.

The Liberal vote was split, seven Liberals voting for the Government. The Conservatives and Labourites voted strictly on party lines. The final stages of the debate were quite tranquil.—*Reuter.*

SOVIET ANGERED.

RESENTS SWISS POLICE PRECAUTIONS.

Moscow, May 5.

The official news agency states that Government circles are indignant over the reports from the Soviet delegation to the Economic Conference at Geneva with regard to their alleged treatment, particularly the hampering effects due to police attentions.

The Soviet condemns these "unprecedented chicaneries and humiliating restrictions" as evidence of the insincerity of the League's invitation, and has instructed Ossinsky, the chairman of the delegation, to demand the remedying of the complaints, otherwise the delegation will leave Geneva.

The demands comprise a request that the League shall agree with the Soviet chairman with regard to reasonable methods of protecting the delegation, and abolition of the humiliating police measures which restrict the liberty of the delegation; and further, that the League assure the delegation equal conditions with the other delegations with regard to its work and communication rights, also equal participation in the conference debates.

The Soviet adds that it intends to reconsider the question of participation in League conferences, especially in Switzerland.—*Reuter.*

moto the power and influence of Communism. By agreement they can foster the interests of China and safeguard their own. True as it is, it is hardly credible that doubts of each other and fears for special interests should have been able for so long to prevent their taking the one obvious course open to them if they are to help China and protect themselves.

CHANG TSO-LIN.

A MILD AND SUAVE WAR-LORD.

NEW CHARACTER SKETCH.

The welter of civil war in China has again brought into the limelight one of the strangest figures in history—the half-comic and wholly terrible little War Lord of Manchuria, Marshal Chang Tso-lin, writes Mr. G. C. Dixon in the *Empire Review*.

Just as the Great Wall bent back for a thousand years the hordes that swept down from the arid Gobi and the steppes of Siberia, so does Chang stand today as the last military barrier between Moscow and complete possession of the richest prize a fanatic ever gazed upon.

He is a fantastic and fascinating figure, this Manchurian War Lord, who broods from his stronghold in Mukden, over all China north of the Yangtze-kiang. Looking for the swash-buckler of tradition, you find a tiny man, 50 years old, about five feet high and six stone in weight, as smooth as a bishop, as suave as a diplomat, mild-eyed, self-effacing, self-spoiled.

About Chang, who began life as a leader of Hsueh-tzes (literally red-beards, or bandits), so many things are told in the chronicles of China that he is fast becoming a legend. It is perfectly true that he began his career as a leader of bandits, served with his band on the side of the Russians in the Russo-Japanese War, transferred, with the true Chinese astuteness, to the winning side, and, at the end of the war, found himself at the head of a well-armed and well-trained force of two thousand.

Pointing the Moral.

Of the many stories about him which happen to be both picturesque and true is that of the colonel who, on the eve of battle in Chang's last war with Wu Pei-fu, sent back his wife from the front to a safer spot, just in case the battle went the wrong way. In due course, the news came to the Marshal's ears, as most news does in the Far East, and his officer received a summons to the great man's tent. Softly and gently the Marshal pointed out that to take into consideration even the possibility of defeat was likely to shake the confidence of the troops; and, to point the moral he whipped out a revolver and shot the offender dead.

Unchallenged ruler over a vast province, with over 20 million subjects, Chang has a revenue estimated at £3,000,000 a year, and does not hesitate to spend it. He has a well-trained army of about two hundred thousand men, well-armed, garbed in the only trim uniforms in China, and advised by white staff officers; he has a fleet of at least 60 aeroplanes; and, amongst the two or three hundred thousand Russians in Harbin, the principal city of Northern Manchuria, are thousands of "White" Russian soldiers, ragged and hungry, who would only be too glad to enlist as soldiers of fortune in any war that happens to be on. A brigade of them fought with Chang in his campaign a year ago, though their experience was by all accounts not particularly happy. Not only did they bear the brunt of several heavy engagements, but they were shot down from behind by a section of Chang's troops, which, following the usual Chinese practice, changed sides in the midst of a battle.

Cool, Brave.

He is an extraordinarily cool, brave, and resolute little man, this Hsueh-tze who is now an international figure, but, like many very brave men, he is above all things cautious. The machine-guns which he has now had installed for the protection of his yamen in Mukden, are only one of the many precautions necessary in a land where nothing is quite as cheap as life and jealous rivals abound. He makes it a rule to see no visitors unless they are personally known to him. His bodyguard, with loaded Mauser rifles and automatic pistols, watch his residence about the streets he travels in a motor-car, specially built for him in America, at a cost of £60,000. The interior of the car is decorated with gold plate. The exterior is covered with steel plate to keep the bullets out and the gold in.

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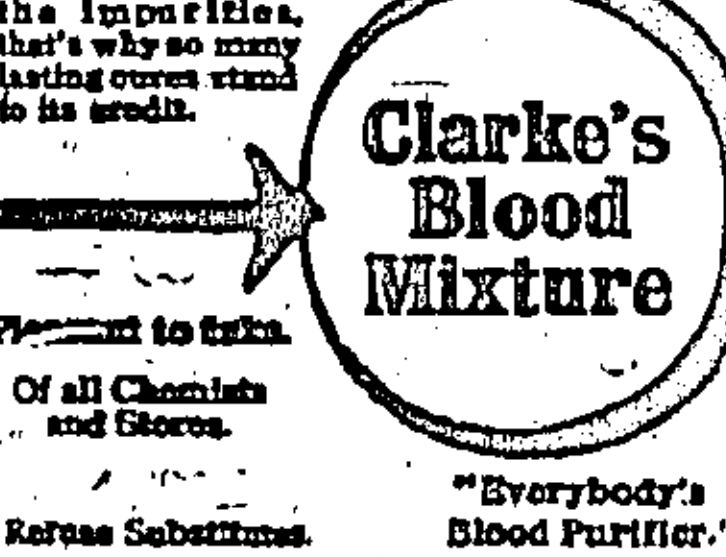
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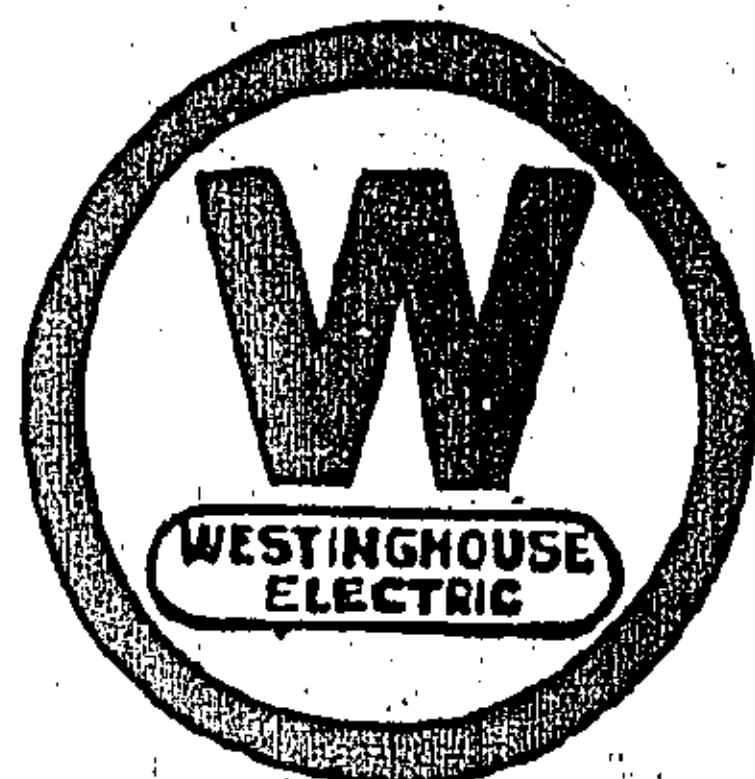


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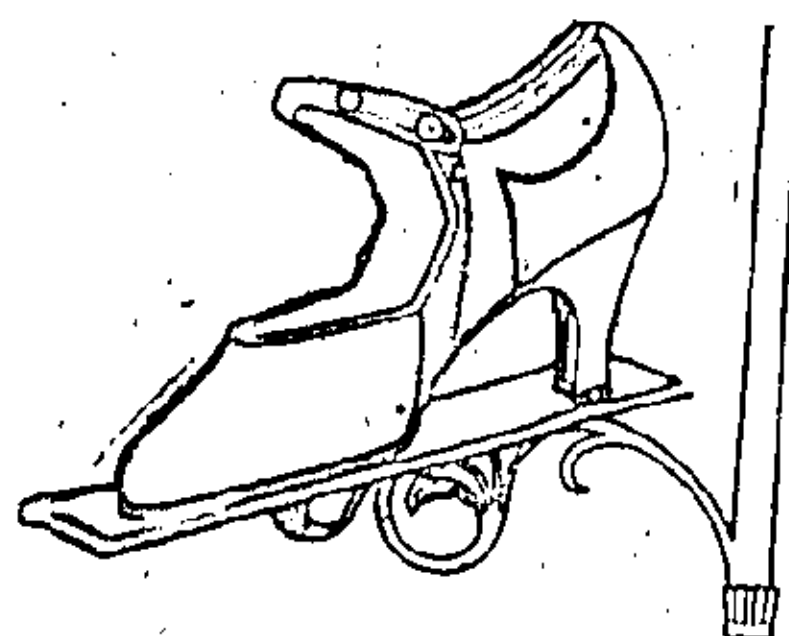
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BOTH MASTERS TO BLAME.

**MARINE COURT ENQUIRY
CONCLUDED.**

The Marine Court of Enquiry which sat at the Harbour Office to enquire into the circumstances surrounding the collision between the s.s. Wing On, (Captain C. Mutton), and the s.s. Anjou, (Captain J. Webster), off the Wongmun Customs Station on April 20th, concluded yesterday afternoon, when the Court decided that both masters were to blame. The Court was composed of Lieut. Commr. G. F. Hole as President, Lieut. Commr. Pitcairn Jones, D.S.C., Captain W. S. Shearer (s.s. Halvard), Captain T. M. Meyrick (s.s. Mausang), and Captain D. Ritchie (s.s. Klungchow). Mr. Hugh Jones appeared for Captain Mutton, while the master and owners of the s.s. Anjou were represented by Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton. The details of the finding were as follows:—

The Finding.
The finding was given at 3 p.m. and was as follows:—
"We find that on the evening of April 20, 1927, the s.s. Wing On of Hongkong, Official Number 133-251 of which C. Mutton was master, and s.s. Anjou of Hongkong, Official Number 136104, of which J. Webster was master, were anchored off Wang Mun Creek, the vessels being Wing On about one cable from the South Bank, with the Anjou about 1/2 or 3/4 cable on her starboard beam. At about 8.30 p.m. both vessels got under way, the Wing On slightly ahead of the Anjou. The Wing On proceeded to pass ahead of the Anjou under port helm. Meanwhile the Anjou started to turn to the South under engine and helm at about the time, when the Wing On was across her bows. Wing On turning under helm, approached the North Bank and it is our opinion that the master of the Wing On underestimated her distance from this bank and endeavored to turn sharply. The wind from the North-East took hold of his bow and gave him a heavier swing than he was aware of. This swing he attempted to correct with his engines and caused him to assume that the Anjou was making sternway towards him. By this time, Anjou had completed her turn to the East and was struck by the bows of the Wing On, on the stern, in the fore and aft line. Having examined the stern of the Anjou, we have come to the conclusion that it was an end on blow and that the Anjou had head-way on at the time of the impact. We are of opinion that the master of the Wing On was in error, in that he being the overtaking ship, came into collision with the stern of the ship ahead, but we do not consider that this in any way exonerates the master of the Anjou from blame, in that observing the Wing On extremely close to his stern, he took absolutely no precautions to avoid collision, as he might have done by putting both his engines to full speed ahead. We therefore adjudge both Captain Mutton and Captain Webster to be censured. We are astounded at the manner in which the Master and Chief Engineer, Mr. J. W. McNaught, of s.s. Anjou, appeared to regard their respective duties. They appeared to be passengers in the ship, taking no interest whatever in their respective responsibilities. We therefore adjudge them both to be severely reprimanded."

CONFERENCE FAILS.

STINSON MISSION ACCOMPLISHES NOTHING.

Tipitapa, Nicaragua, May 5. The conference between Mr. Stinson and General Moncada has ended in a deadlock, the parties failing to reach an agreement as regards the continuance of the Diaz presidency.—*Reuter.*

ARMY ATHLETICS.

**ROYAL ARTILLERY MEET
OPENS IN KOWLOON.**

In spite of the warm weather which prevailed yesterday afternoon, the two days athletic meeting organised in connexion with the Royal Artillery, which was held on the United Services Recreation ground, Kowloon, was a distinct success, the competitors entering into the various events with zest.

There were several events in which finalists had to be decided by heats, and these will be decided to-day when another list of competitors will be held.

The heats run off yesterday for to-day's finals include the 100 yards flat race, in which the following qualified for the final, Gunner Philipotts (38th.), Lance Bombardier Davey (38th.), Gunner Maddox (12th.), Lance Bombardier Rogers (H. Q. and D. E.), Gunner Sharland (H. Q. and D. E.), and Sergt. Glazebrook (23rd.).

Two tug of war events will be decided to-day these being the 110 stone section, and the 130 stone. In the former the 12th. Battery secured a bye. The 28th. defeated the 23rd. by two pulls to one, and to-morrow the 38th. will meet the 12th. In the latter three teams entered, of which the 38th. secured a bye. Yesterday the 23rd. beat the 12th. by two pulls to one, and to-day the 38th. will meet the 23rd.

In addition to the British events there were a number of competitions for Indians. There was only one casualty, Gunner Taylor of the 12th. Battery sustaining injury during a tug of war, believed to be due to excessive strain.

The officials were as follows:

The Officials.
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The Results.
The final results in the British events decided yesterday were—
Putting the Shot.—1, Gunner Cotton (38th); 30 ft. 3 1/2 ins. 2, Lee. Bom. Hall (12th); 29 ft 10 ins. 3, Gunner Philipotts (38th); 29 feet.

High Jump.—1, Gunner Bellerby (23rd); 5 ft. 8 ins. 2, Lance Bombardier Hall (12th); 5 ft. 3 ins. 3, Sergt. Leach (38th); 5 ft. 3 ins. (The second place was secured in a "jump off").
220 yards.—1, Gunner Philipotts (38th); 2, Lance-Bomb. Rogers (H. D. and D.E.); 3, Gunner Shar-

CHINESE POST OFFICE.

**EMPLOYEES DICTATE HOURS
OF WORK.**

It is with a certain amount of hesitancy that one writes on the delinquencies of the staff of the Chinese Post Office and their reprehensible conduct during the past few weeks. In doing so, it should be clearly understood that no blame is attached to the foreign staff which has done its utmost, under exceedingly great difficulties, to ensure prompt delivery and despatch of mails. The strike, which has led to many abuses, was none of their making. It was of a political nature designed to embarrass the foreign community of Shanghai, and was devoid of the excuse of economic pressure. Though the strike has ended, conditions have not returned to normal.

In the Postal Service of every civilized country, sorting proceeds uninterruptedly throughout the 24 hours, but not so in the G. P. O. Shanghai where the employees now dictate their hours of work.

The delays in delivery of mails, the absence of important documents which are known to be in the Post Office waiting to be sorted, has caused, and is causing, grave loss to both the foreign and the Chinese merchants, for probably no government department has such an important bearing on commerce as the Post Office.

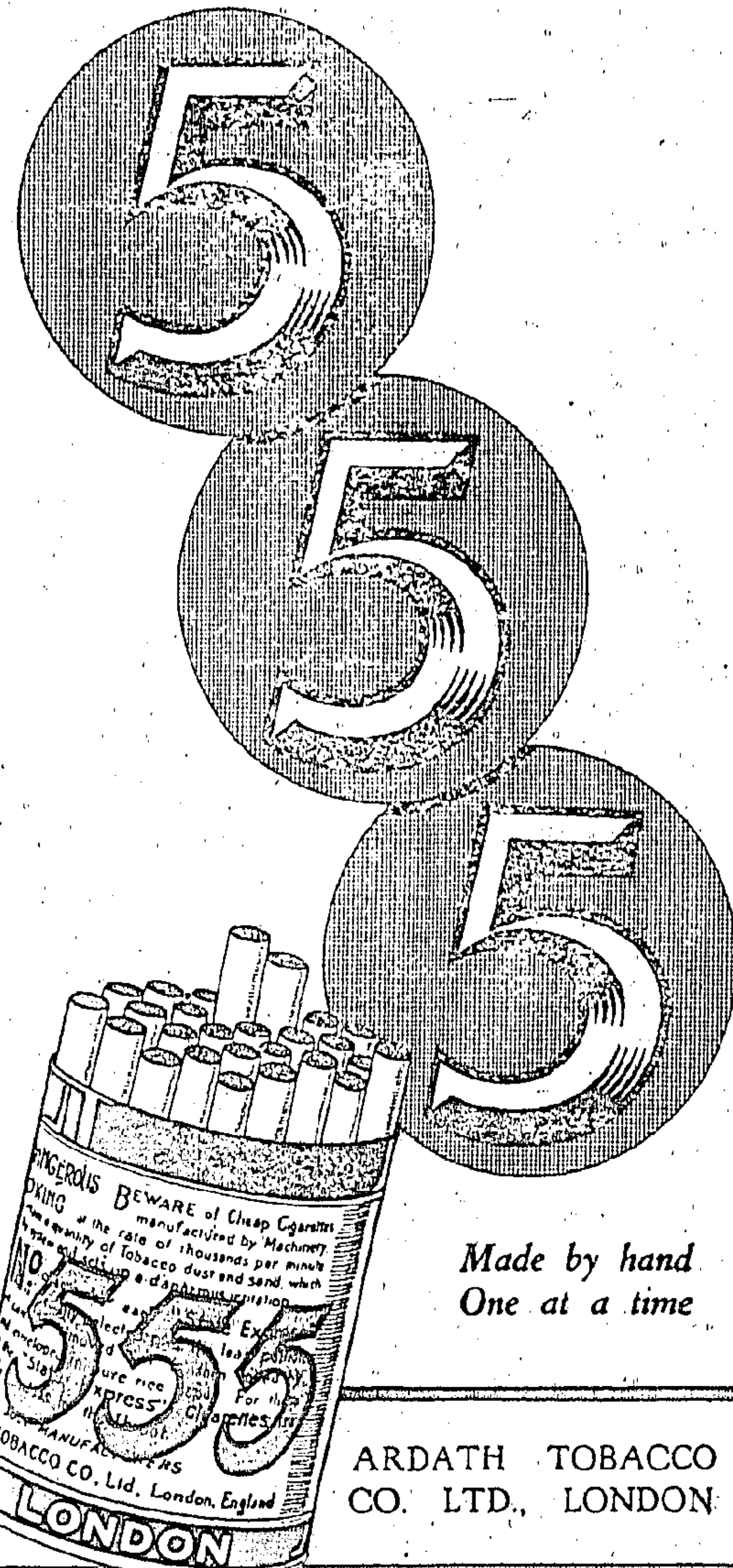
The attitude adopted by the postal employees has resulted in confusion in business circles and within the postal organization itself. Confusion has been worse confounded by the attention given to the arrival of later mails to the partial exclusion of those which were held up during and since the strike. The above is a severe indictment against an institution which should at all times be above political influence. That it is not unjust is evidenced by the following table which shows the date of arrival of mail and the delay in removing it from the wharves.

From	Arrived	Departed	Delay
From Tientsin, Chefoo and Weihaiwei, arrived 8 a.m. 22nd Mar.	8 a.m.	22nd Mar.	30
From Tientsin Chefoo and Tsingtau, arrived 11 a.m. 23rd Mar.	11 a.m.	23rd Mar.	245
From Tientsin and Chefoo, arrived 8 a.m. 24th Mar.	8 a.m.	24th Mar.	404
From Hankow, arrived 10 a.m. 26th Mar.	10 a.m.	26th Mar.	864
From Chungking, arrived 10 a.m. 29th Mar.	10 a.m.	29th Mar.	441
From Tientsin and Chefoo, arrived 4 p.m. 25th Mar.	4 p.m.	25th Mar.	430
From Tientsin, Chefoo and Weihaiwei, arrived 11 a.m. 2nd Apr.	11 a.m.	2nd Apr.	1,600

In calling attention to this grave state of affairs, it should be pointed out that the abolition of foreign Post Offices was conditional on China maintaining an efficient service. If efficiency cannot be continuous in the public services which directly affect the interests of the public, a Government can hardly expect confidence to be placed in the efficiency of departments which do not come into direct contact with them—whose acts are not so easily observable.

land (H.Q. and D.E.) Winner's Time: 25.4/5 secs.
Long Jump.—1, Lance-Bomb. Davey (38th); 17 ft. 7 1/2 ins. 2, Lance Bomb. Smith (12th); 17 ft. 7 ins. 3, Sergt. Leach (38th); 16 ft. 10 1/2 ins.
4 Mile.—1, Gunner Bowden; 2, Gunner Doe; 3, Lance-Bomb. Davey (all of 38th Battery). Winner's Time: 68.2/5 secs.
Boat Race.—1, 23rd Battery (Gunner Pascoe's team; 2, 38th Battery (Gunner Murphy's team); 3, 12th Battery (Sergeant Cook's team. (Five teams competed).
R. A. Mile.—1, Gunner Newman (H.Q. and D.E.); 5 mins. 7 secs. 2, Gunner Goodridge H.Q. and D. E.; 5 mins. 11 secs. 3, Capt. H. Howard (H.Q. and D.E.); 5 mins. 19 secs.

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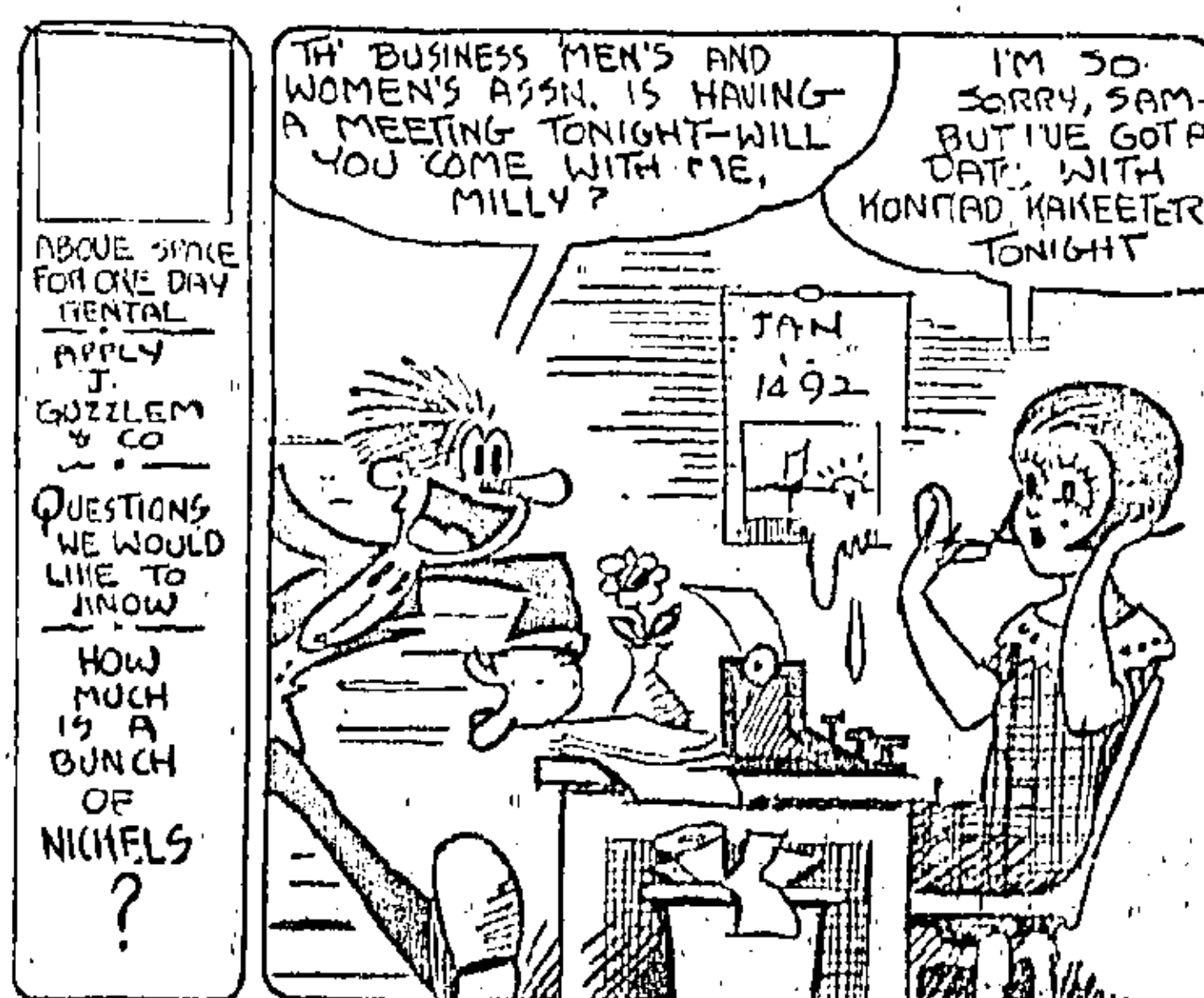
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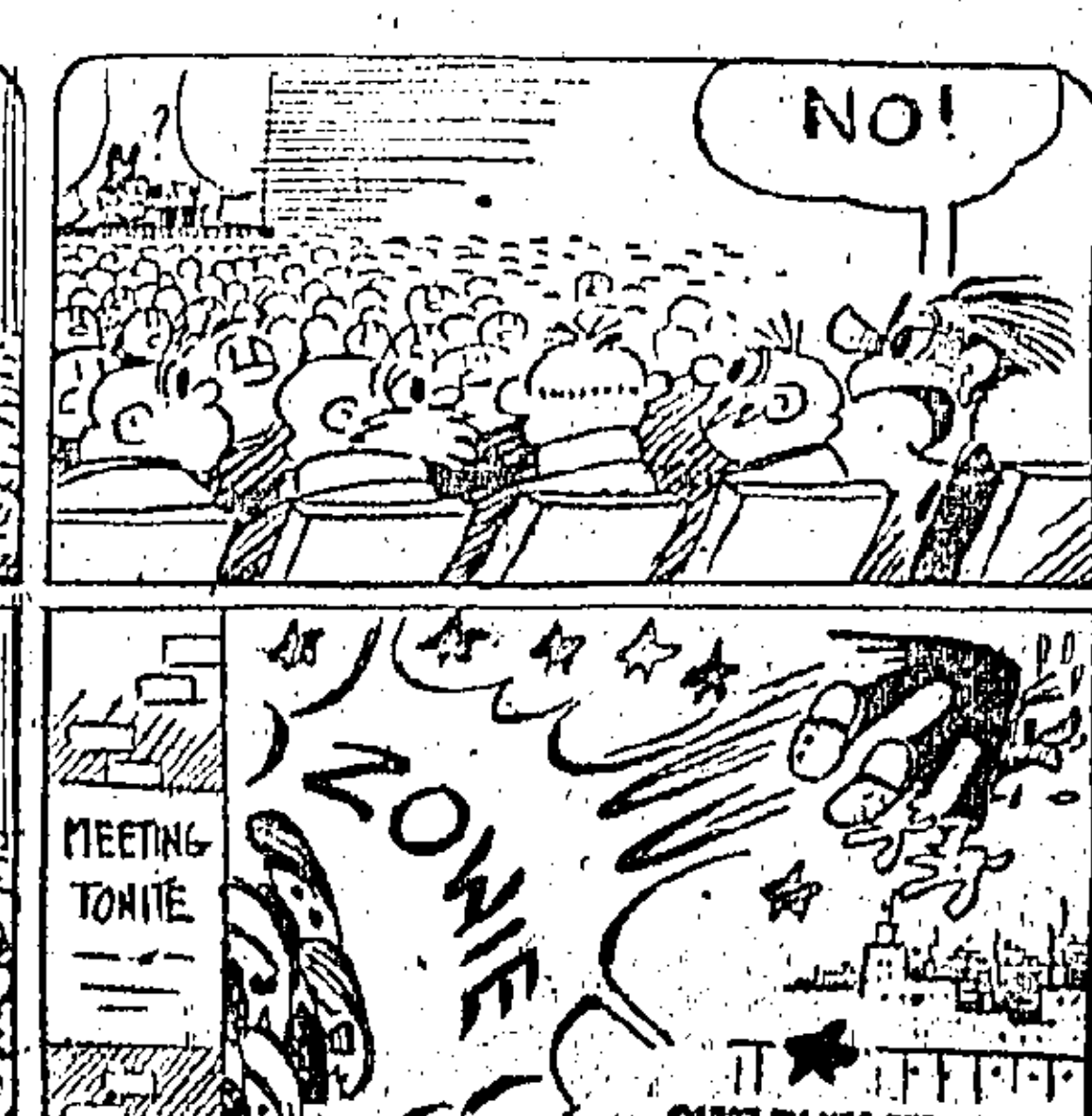
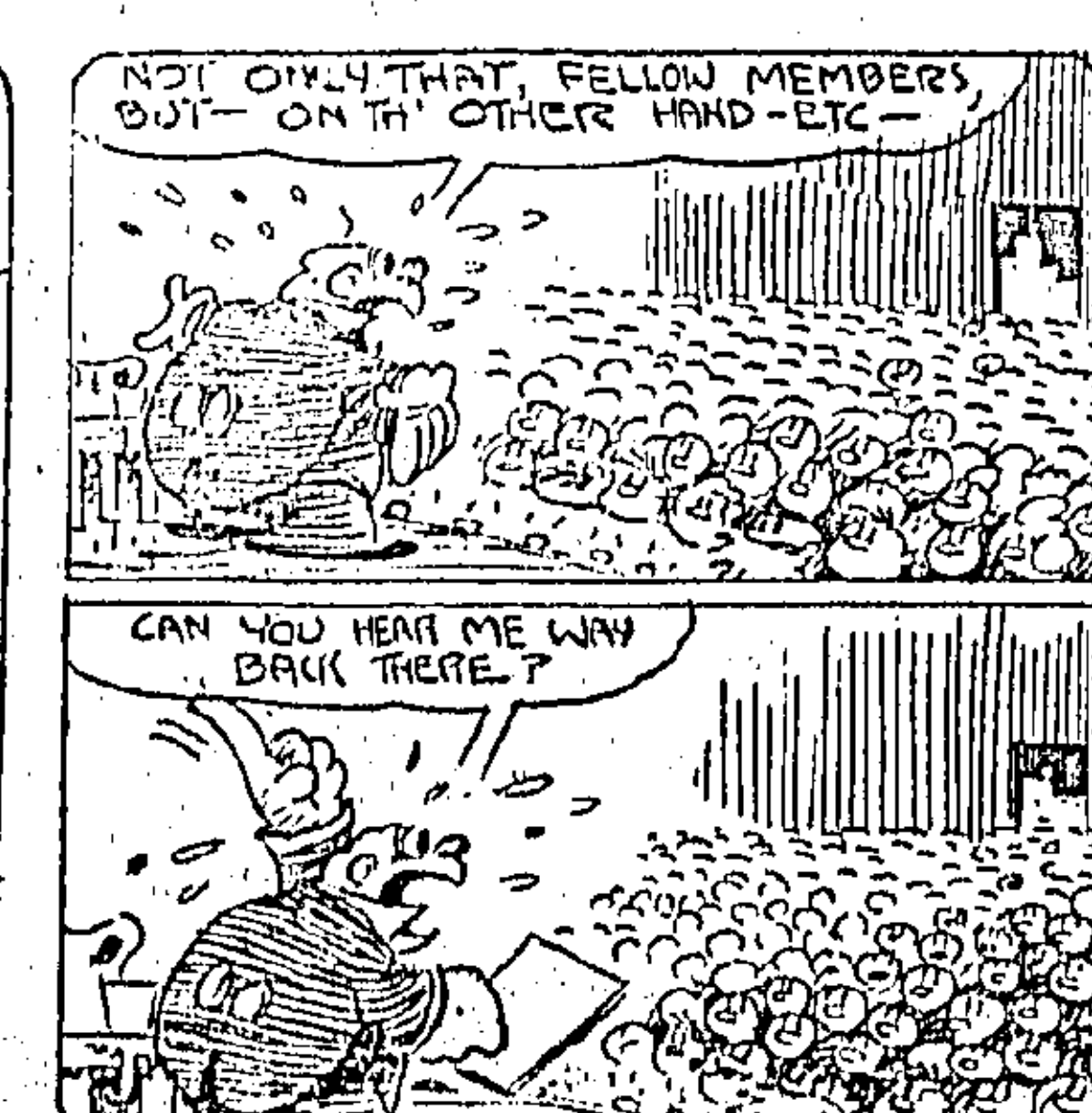
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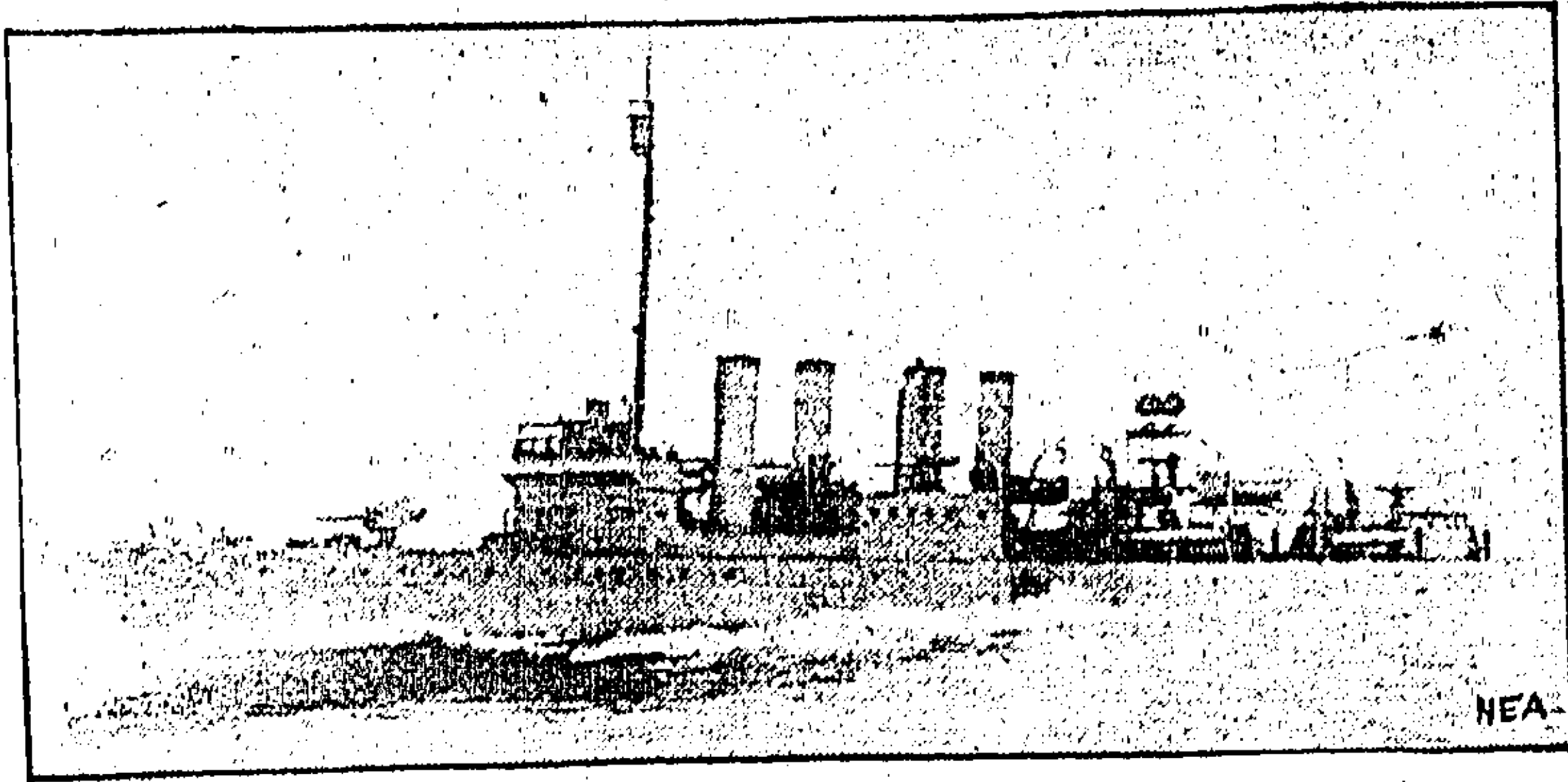


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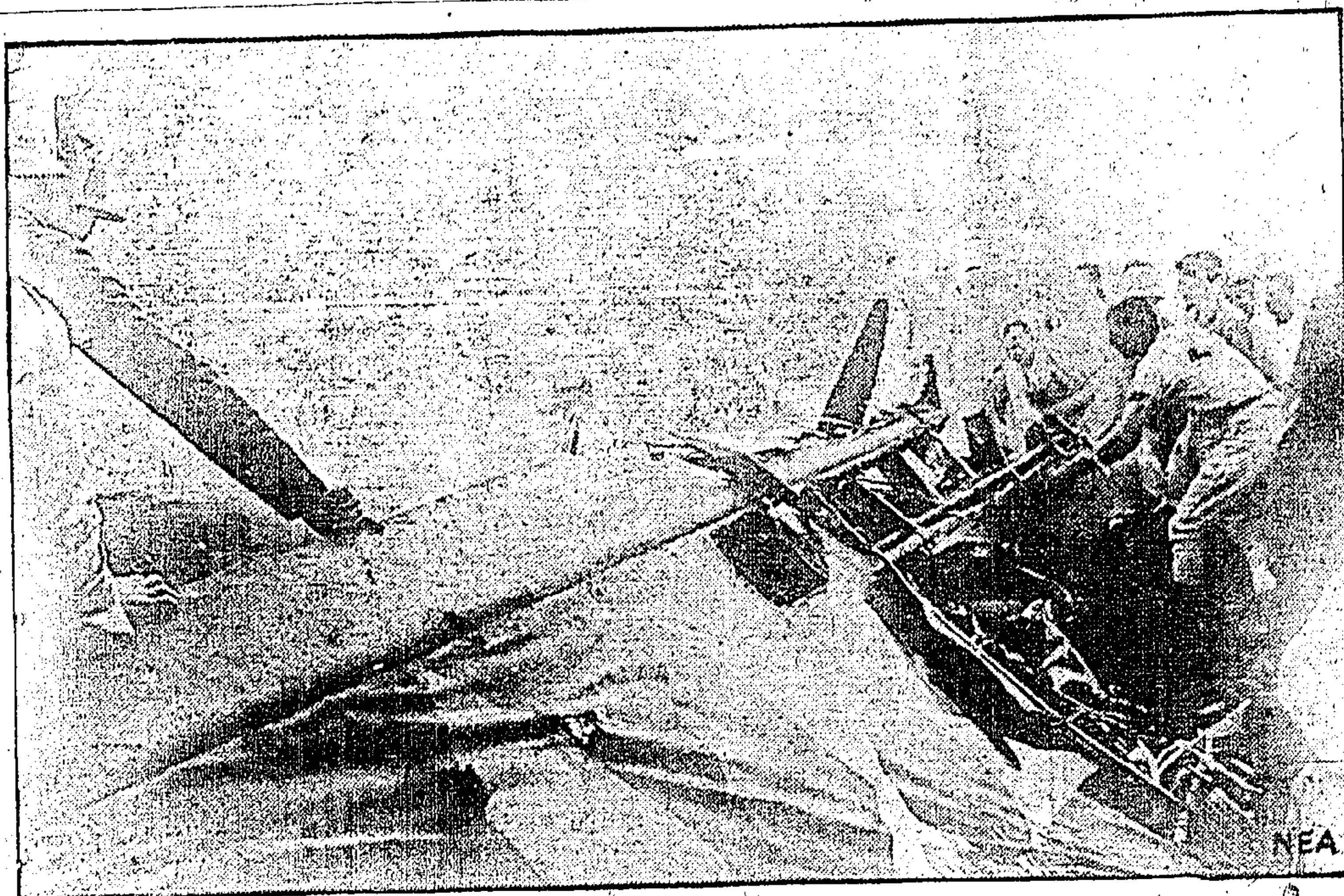




IN ACTION ON YANGTZE.—The U. S. destroyer Preston, with its sister ship, the Noa, and the British cruiser Emerald, laid down the barrage which kept back invading Cantonese troops while foreigners evacuated Standard Oil Hill during the fighting at Nanking.



WATCHING THE FLYING.—The "young idea" and a number of their elders watching the aeroplanes on the Race Course at Shanghai.



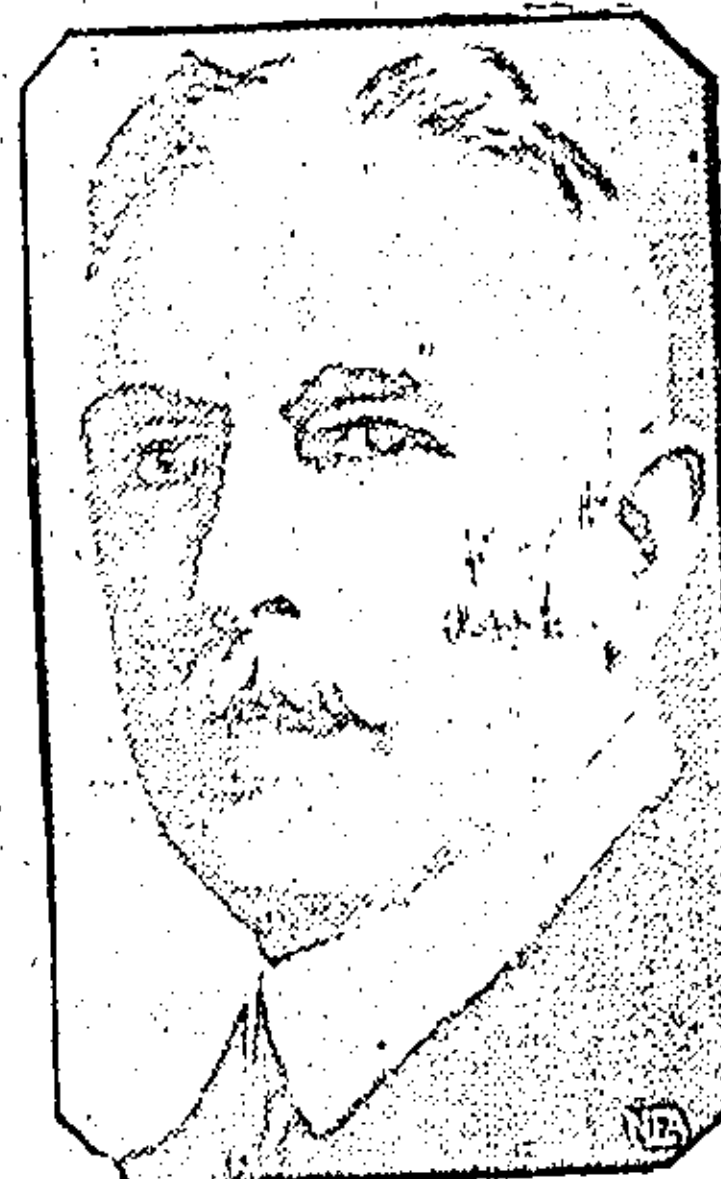
PLANE CRASH AT BUENOS AIRES.—Soldiers from the military aviation field at Palomar, near Buenos Aires, search the burning wreck of the airplane "Detroit" for the body of Captain Clinton F. Woolsey, Lieutenant John W. Benton, who also lost his life as a result of the "Detroit's" collision in mid-air with the "New York," was thrown clear of the "Detroit" as the machine fell into a cabbage field.



DIAMOND "RUSH" AT GRASFONTEIN.—Two miles of runners took part at Grasfontein, in the Lichtenburg district of the Transvaal, in what is expected to be the last big "rush" in South Africa to peg alluvial diamond claims. (Times copyright).



BIG SUIT RECALLED.—"Sonny," young son of Mrs. Evan Burrows Fontaine, whose paternity she charged to Whitney in her \$81,000,000 suit five years ago, with his mother, taken outside their home at Long Island.



A recent portrait of Admiral Hough, commanding the U. S. ships on the Yangtze.



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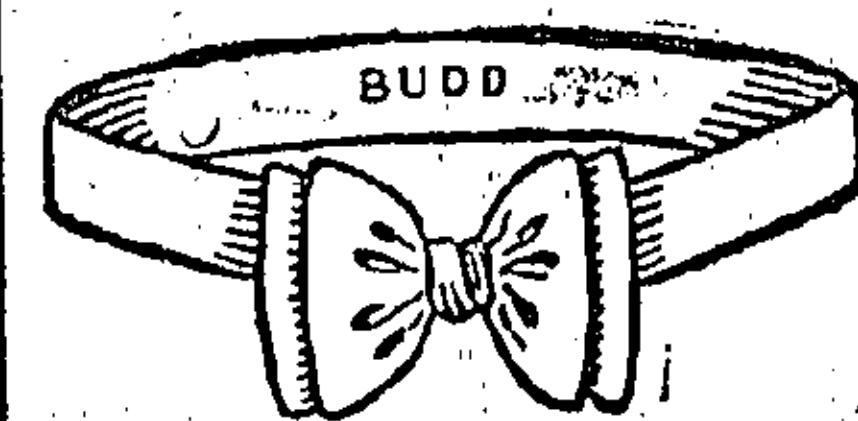
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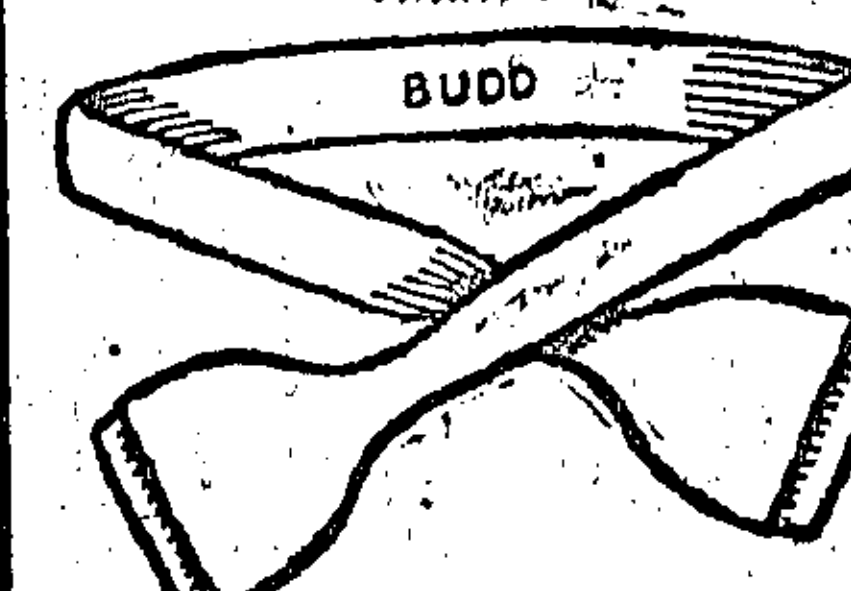
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 21st of May, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO., General Managers, Hongkong 6th May, 1927.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A General Meeting of Members will be held on MONDAY, the 16th May, 1927, at 4 o'clock in the CITY HALL, Hongkong, to nominate a Member of the Chamber for appointment to the Legislative Council for the usual term of four years, in succession to the Hon. Mr. D. C. M. Bernard. This nomination becomes necessary as the Hon. Mr. Bernard will be future remain a member of the Legislative Council as appointed by His Excellency the Governor.

Notice in writing of the Names of Candidates and their Proposers and Secondors to be lodged with the Secretary at least 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting.

By Order,

M. F. KEY, Secretary, Hongkong, 4th May, 1927.

NOTICE

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, "St. George's" Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, on Saturday, May 14th, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended December 31st, 1926; to confirm the appointment of Two Directors, and to elect Two Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY, 11th MAY, 1927, until WEDNESDAY, 18th MAY, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order,

D. L. KING, Secretary, Hongkong, May 2, 1927.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Forty-sixth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Tuesday, the 17th May, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1926.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 3rd to the 17th May 1927, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON AND COMPANY LIMITED, General Agents, Hongkong, 26th April, 1927.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above named Company will be held at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., No. 18 Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong on the 10th day of May next at 12 o'clock noon for considering and, if thought fit, passing the sub-joined Resolution as an Ordinary Resolution.

That this meeting authorises the Directors to pay to the Executor of the late Sir Catchick Paul Chater, C.M.G. the "Managing Director's fees in suspense" shown in the Company's last Balance Sheet, which represent the proportion, calculated up to the date of his death, of the remuneration to which the deceased would have become entitled, if he had survived to the end of the year, under Article No. 95 (B) of the Articles of Association.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

L. S. GREENHILL, Secretary, Hongkong, 2nd May, 1927.

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The Third Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 7th May, 1927, commencing at 2.30 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 2 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1. for all persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5 each up to Friday, 6th May, 1927.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2. Each member can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

TO SHAREHOLDERS & OTHERS HOLDING POWERS OF ATTORNEY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in pursuance of Article 81 of the Articles of Association all Powers of Attorney under which any shareholder intends to vote on the Poll to be held at the Registered Office of the Company on the 18th INSTANT must be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company not less than FORTY EIGHT hours before the time for holding of such Poll notwithstanding that such Powers of Attorney have already been produced to and noted by the Company.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1927
By Order of the Board,
D. L. KING, Secretary.

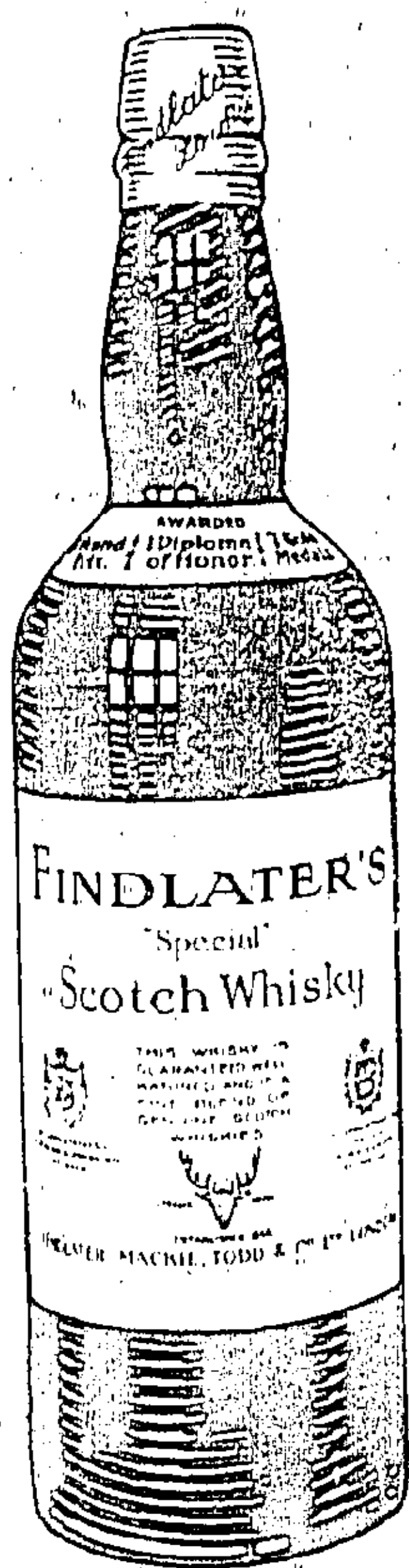
Hongkong, 5th May, 1927.

Sir Samuel Hoare, questioned in the House of Commons last month as to the air crash at Whamoa, said he did not wish any airman to take unnecessary risks, but he could not express an opinion on this accident until he had received the report upon it. Mr. Hardy inquired whether a man was obliged to go up if ordered by a superior officer. Sir Samuel said, "Certainly, if it is a proper order."

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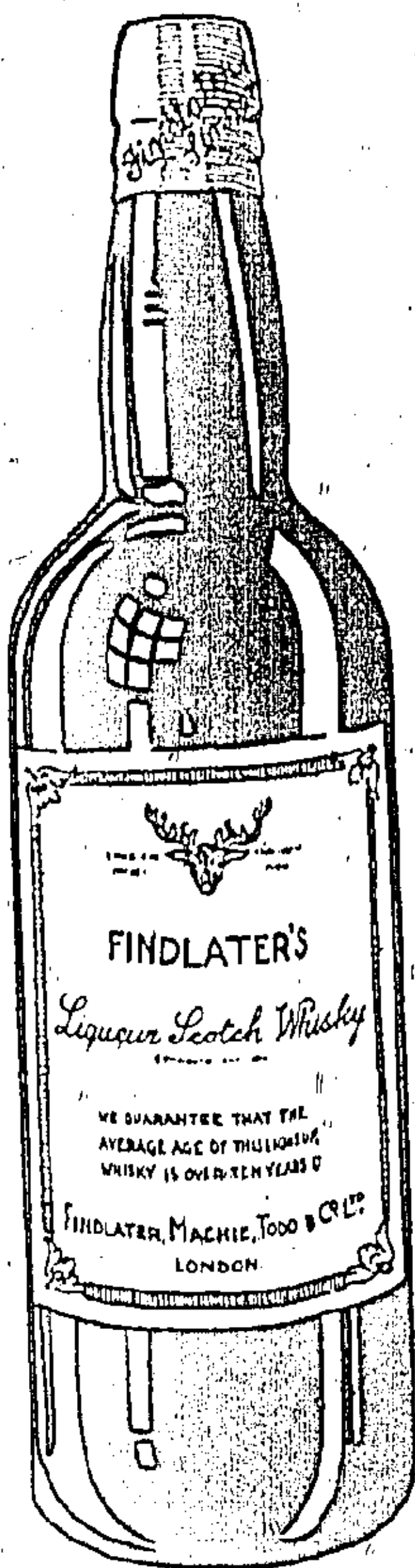


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JAPAN'S FORCES.

THREE DIVISIONS
READY.

APPEALS FROM THE NORTH.

Tokyo, April 20.
Japan is mobilizing her land
forces, at least she has embarked
on the first steps of actual mili-
tary preparedness for sending a
strong military expeditionary
force abroad. The War Office has
issued orders to the Tokata
Division of the Army to mobilize
and a similar order has been for-
warded to the headquarters of the
Sendai Division, whilst the Officer
Commanding the Osaka Division
has been requested to be in readi-
ness to proceed to North China
with his men. Preparations for
conveying these land forces are
being steadily made at Ujima, a
military port in Western Japan.
At first it was intended to despatch
these troops, or part of them,
early next month. As a result of
the critical situation developing in
North China, however, these
forces will be sent towards the
end of this month.

This decision was taken after an
urgent meeting held at the official
residence of the War Minister, all
the principal military leaders and
advisers being present. Immedi-
ately after the decision to
mobilize and to send a strong mili-
tary expeditionary force to North
China, the Chief of the Army
General Staff was received in
special audience by the Emperor,
when Imperial sanction for the
measure decided upon was obtain-
ed.

An Appeal for Help.

On the same day, a lengthy tele-
gram was received from Dairen,
which stated that Japanese resi-
dents in North China were feeling
very restless, and praying for the
despatch of sufficiently large land
forces to protect their lives and
property. A similar telegram
from Tsingtau states that "two
thousand Japanese residents in
Shantung are utterly helpless, and
requests that cognizance be taken
of their 'pitiful plight' and that
sufficient troops be sent to extricate
them from the dangers surround-
ing them."

Simultaneously, the principal
parties in the House of Peers held
a meeting at which the China
crisis formed the subject of a
heated debate. It was decided
that the policy so far followed by
the present Government was ex-
ceedingly weak and also wrong,
since it was based on a misunder-
standing regarding the character
and strength of the Cantonese
forces. The Soviet schemings in
North China also were dwelt upon
and a resolution was passed that
the responsible Ministers of State
be visited by a delegation of the
Peers and a stronger policy be
recommended. This was just be-
fore the Wakatsuki Cabinet fell.

New Cabinet Firmer.

The new Cabinet, it is under-
stood, will not be as lenient to-
wards the Nationalists as was the
one that has just resigned. At
any rate these demands of the
Peers were accepted by the out-
going Cabinet and the Tanaka
Ministry may be expected not
only to follow the new policy de-
manded, but also to enunciate a
strong policy of its own. After
the former Premier (Mr. Wakat-
suki) had received the delegation
of the Upper House, he paid a
special call on Prince Saloni, the
only surviving Genro (elder states-
man), who still is a sort of silent
dictator and, without whose ap-
proval, nothing of vital importance
regarding the country can be de-
cided upon.

The Premier told newspaper re-
presentatives that Prince Saloni
was very solicitous as regards the
South China revolution. The Pre-
mier also admitted that he told
Prince Saloni that he had credited
the Southerners with virtues they
did not possess and that he and
his colleagues in the Cabinet never
had imagined that the Chinese,
under the Nationalists, could have

OBITUARY.

THE LATE SIR JOHN HORNER.

The death in London in mail
week at the age of 84 of Sir John
Horner, Lord of the Manor of
Mells, Somerset, recalls the legend
of his descent from the original
Little Jack Horner, of nursery
rhyme fame, who sat in the corner
eating his Christmas pie. Jack
Horner was steward of the tem-
poralities of the great Somerset
Abbey of Glastonbury. At the
dissolution of the monasteries
tradition asserts the pie into
which he put his thumb contained
the title-deeds of the Manor of
Mells, which was the plum Master
Jack Horner took out, thereby be-
coming the owner of a good fat
slice of monastic lands. Mells
Park has belonged to the family
for nearly five hundred years, and
the eldest son has even since been
named John in commemoration,
the legend runs, of this piece of
good fortune.

Lady Horner used to entertain
extensively when their London
house was in Buckingham Gate for
her daughters, Mrs. Raymond As-
quith, the widow of the Earl of
Oxford's eldest son, and Mrs.
George Lambton, who married the
most aristocratic of the New-
market trainers, the Hon. George
Lambton, Lord Durham's brother.

Eminent Dundee Surgeon.

The death occurred early in
April, at his residence, 2 Airie
Place, Dundee, of Mr. David Mac-
Ewan, Emeritus Professor of Sur-
gery.

Professor MacEwan, who had
been in failing health for some
time, was in his 81st year. A na-
tive of Kinross-shire, he was edu-
cated at Perth Academy and Edin-
burgh University, and went to
Dundee as house surgeon at the
Royal Infirmary. In 1870 he com-
menced practice on his own ac-
count, and soon gathered round
him a large clientele. For some
time he was lecturer in operative
surgery, and in 1898 was appoint-
ed Professor of Surgery in St.
Andrews University. On his re-
tirement in 1920 he was succeeded
by Professor L. Turton Price.
The hon. degree of LL.D. was con-
ferred upon him by St. Andrews
University in 1921.

On his retirement in 1910 from
the appointment of surgeon in
Dundee Royal Infirmary, Professor
MacEwan was entertained at a
public dinner, and his loyal and
brilliant service was recognised
by a handsome testimonial. Pro-
fessor MacEwan was greatly
esteemed by all classes of the com-
munity in Dundee. He was an
elder in Tay Square U.F. Church
for over 50 years. Twice married,
Professor MacEwan is survived by
a widow, and a son of his first
marriage.

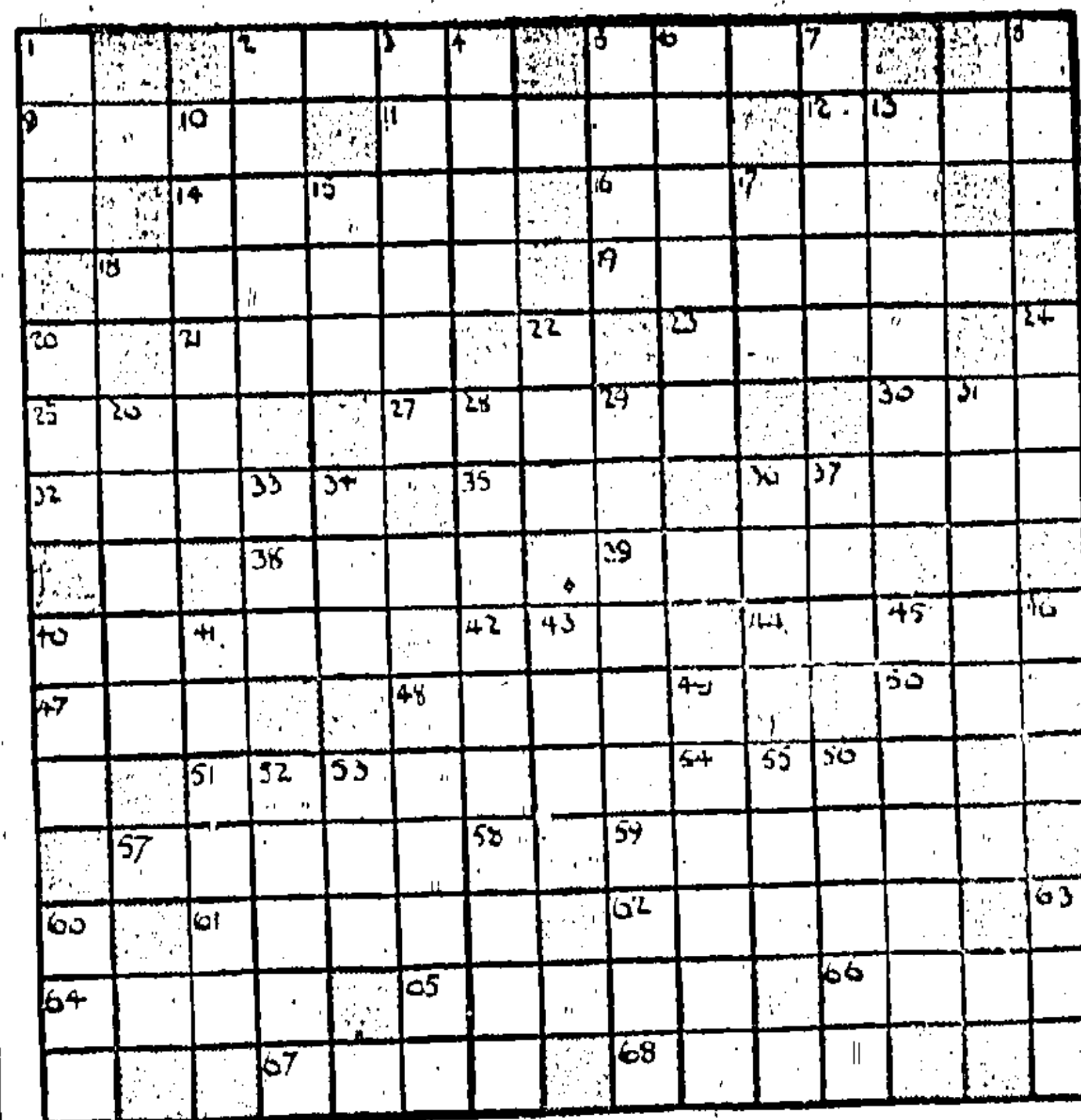
been as savage and cruel as they
had been. The Genro is said to
have replied that the safeguarding
of the lives and property of all
foreigners in China not only was
absolutely necessary, but also was
a stern duty from which Japan
must not turn away.

Moscow's Bluff.

Hearing that the War Depart-
ment was taking positive steps to
send troops to North China, the
new Soviet Ambassador called on
the late Foreign Minister (Baron
Shidehara) and assured him that
the Soviet Government had no in-
tention to fight China and that,
in no circumstances, would the
rights of Japan in her spheres of
influence in North China be in-
fringed. The Russian diplomat
would up with the usual cant about
the New Russia entertaining only
genuine friendship for Japan, and
that the Soviet wished Japan no-
thing but prosperity.

The Foreign Minister is report-
ed to have bowed profoundly, but
in that fashion which intimates
that the bow is rather ironical.
The papers in general think the
Soviet Ambassador spoils his mis-
sion by dwelling on the "genuine
friendship" of the New Russia for
Japan and, between the lines, ask
whether anyone is so childish as to
believe such protestations of friend-
ship.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.

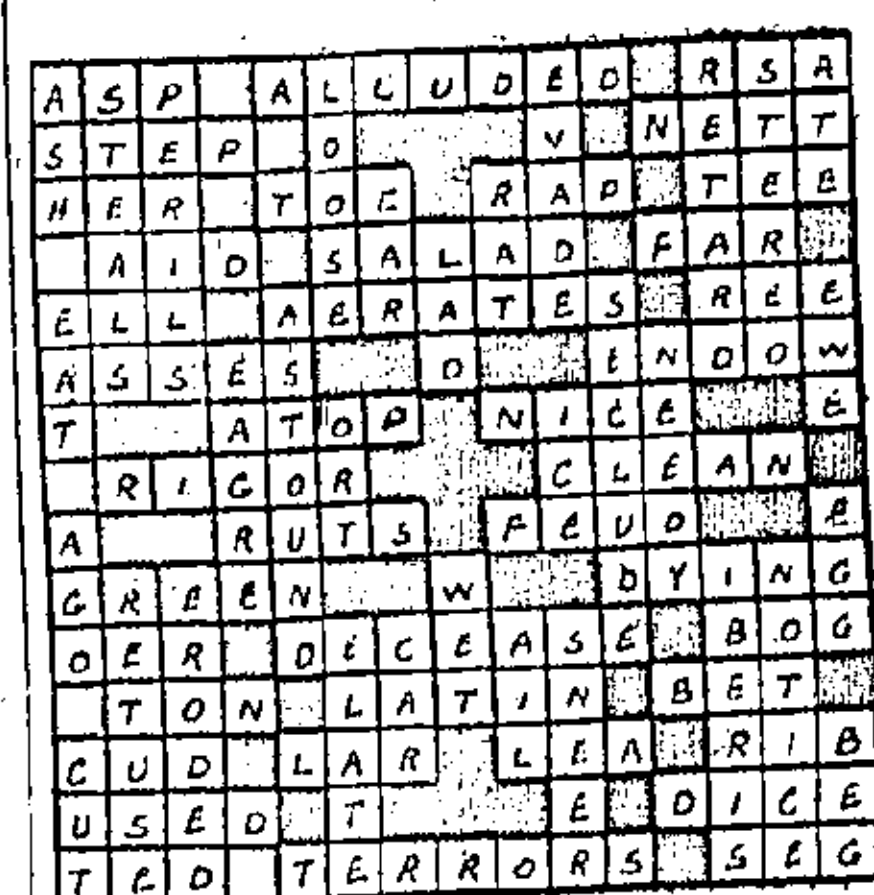


Across:
2 Not found.
5 Winnows.
9 Plant.
11 Trees.
12 Extremity.
14 Bird.
16 Animals.
18 Like resin.
19 Wood of the Nyssa.
21 Fish.
23 Unusual.
25 Skill.
27 Scanty.
30 Part of the head.
32 Frees from dirt.
35 Devoured.
36 A ship.
38 Aerial.
39 In eager excitement.
40 Trap.
42 Finish.
44 Difficult question.
47 European adder.
48 Irritate.
50 Anger.
51 Shave.
54 Exchange for money.
57 Safe.
59 Courteous.
61 Pointed at.
62 Fruit.
64 Animal fat.
65 Pithy.
66 Used in preparation of medicines.
67 Viewed.
68 Afternoon meals.

Down:
1 Pig's dwelling.
2 Thong.
3 Squanders.
4 Very small.
5 Remarkable performance.
6 Insure.
7 Guide.
8 Calico measure.
10 Builds.
13 Resting.

15 By way of.
17 Health resort.
20 Boy.
22 Consume.
24 Raw metal.
26 Wrecks.
28 One who is paid.
29 Peruses.
31 Star-like flower.
33 Obtained from coal.
34 Perceive.
36 Cut off.
37 Time past.
40 Mournful.
41 Seem.
43 Short sleep.
45 Chalky rock.
46 Dress fabric.
48 Long and round.
49 Epic poem.
52 Bitter substances.
53 Liquor.
55 High mountain.
56 Deserts.
58 Garden.
59 Gone.
60 Insect.
63 Article of food.

Yesterday's Puzzle.



NEW PRAYER BOOK.

BISHOPS IN CONTROVERSY.

London, March 30.
"It is my deliberate conviction
that taken as a whole, the new
Prayer Book is fit to serve as a
bond of unity for generations of
Anglican Churchmen."

The above statement was made
by the Archbishop of Canterbury,
yesterday, when proposals for
revision of the Prayer Book, as
finally put forward by the House
of Bishops, were discussed by the
Upper and Lower Houses of the
Convocations of Canterbury and
York at Church House, Westmin-
ster.

"We desire in the 20th century,"
continued the Archbishop, "to
give to the people of England a
Book of Common Prayer enriched
and adapted to the needs of con-
temporary life, with its new con-

ditions and sympathies and its
new aspirations and endeavours."
Alluding to the reservation of
the Sacrament for the Sick, the
Archbishop said it was an attempt
to meet a need which many clergy
found to press with undue hardi-
ness on them in the modern con-
ditions of parochial life.

They had endeavoured with
strictness—some might think with
sternness—to safeguard it from
quite obvious possibilities of
abuse, and so safeguarded, the
Bishops had come to the decisive
conclusion that it could legitimately
be sanctioned.

"Ecclesiastical Chessboard."

The Bishop of Norwich (Dr.
Pollock) said that the measure, as
it stood, should be thrown out.
As a compromise he suggested that
it should be rejected on the under-
standing that with as little delay
as possible a new measure should
be introduced.

"This Book will not bring
peace," he said.

"The only option which this
optional Book leaves to worship-
pers in a one-church area is the
option of giving up going to
church altogether."

"And you know how many are
taking that option," he added.

"Authorised divergencies will
not unite," he declared. "They
are actually intended to divide,
making the plan of our one na-
tional church to look like an
ecclesiastical chessboard."

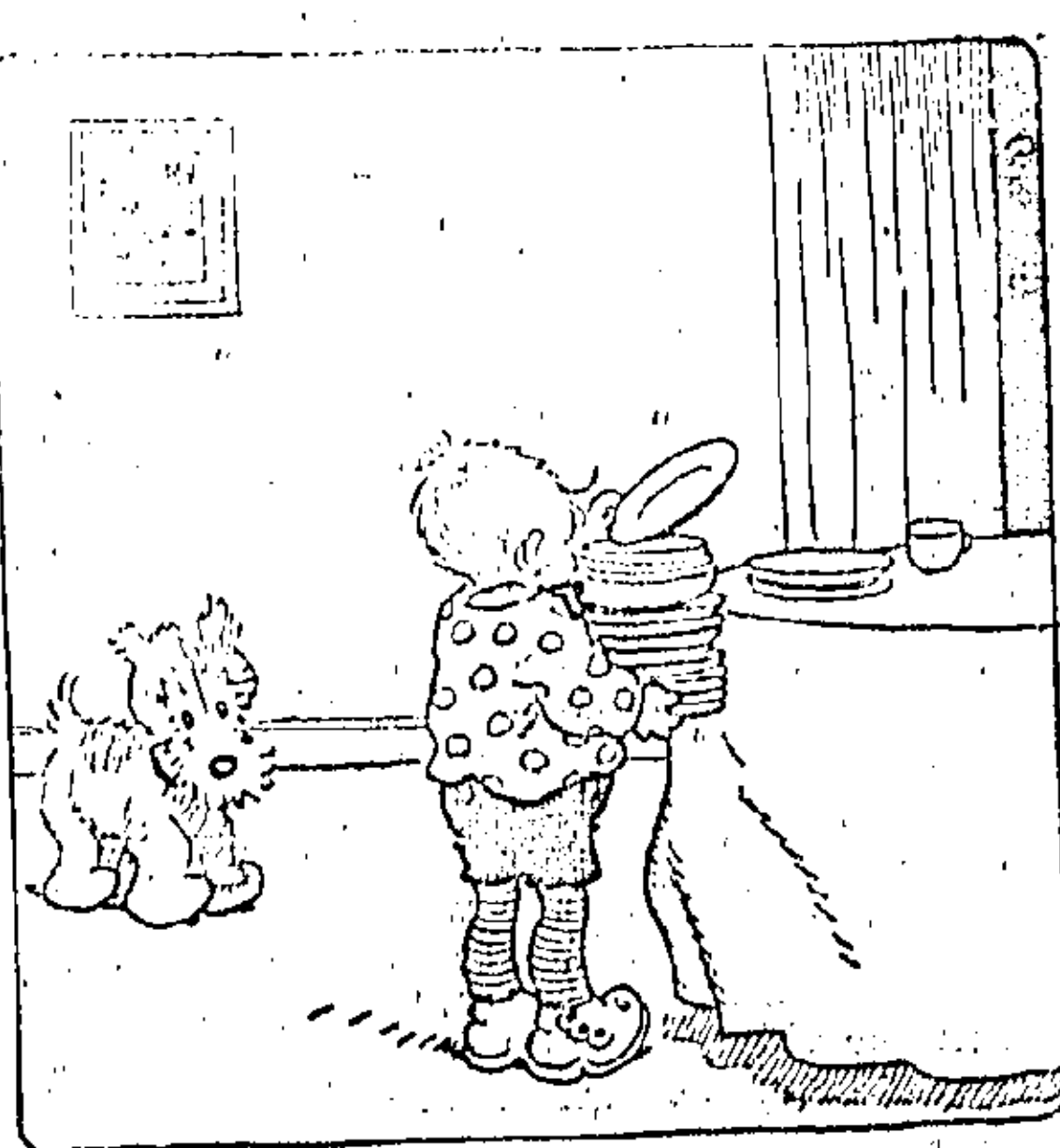
Nurses and Farm Workers.

On the subject of Reservation,
Dr. Pollock argued that it was
illogical to accord the privilege of
communicating through Reserved
Sacrament to the sick and not to
those who were for other various
reasons equally prevented from
coming to the open celebration.

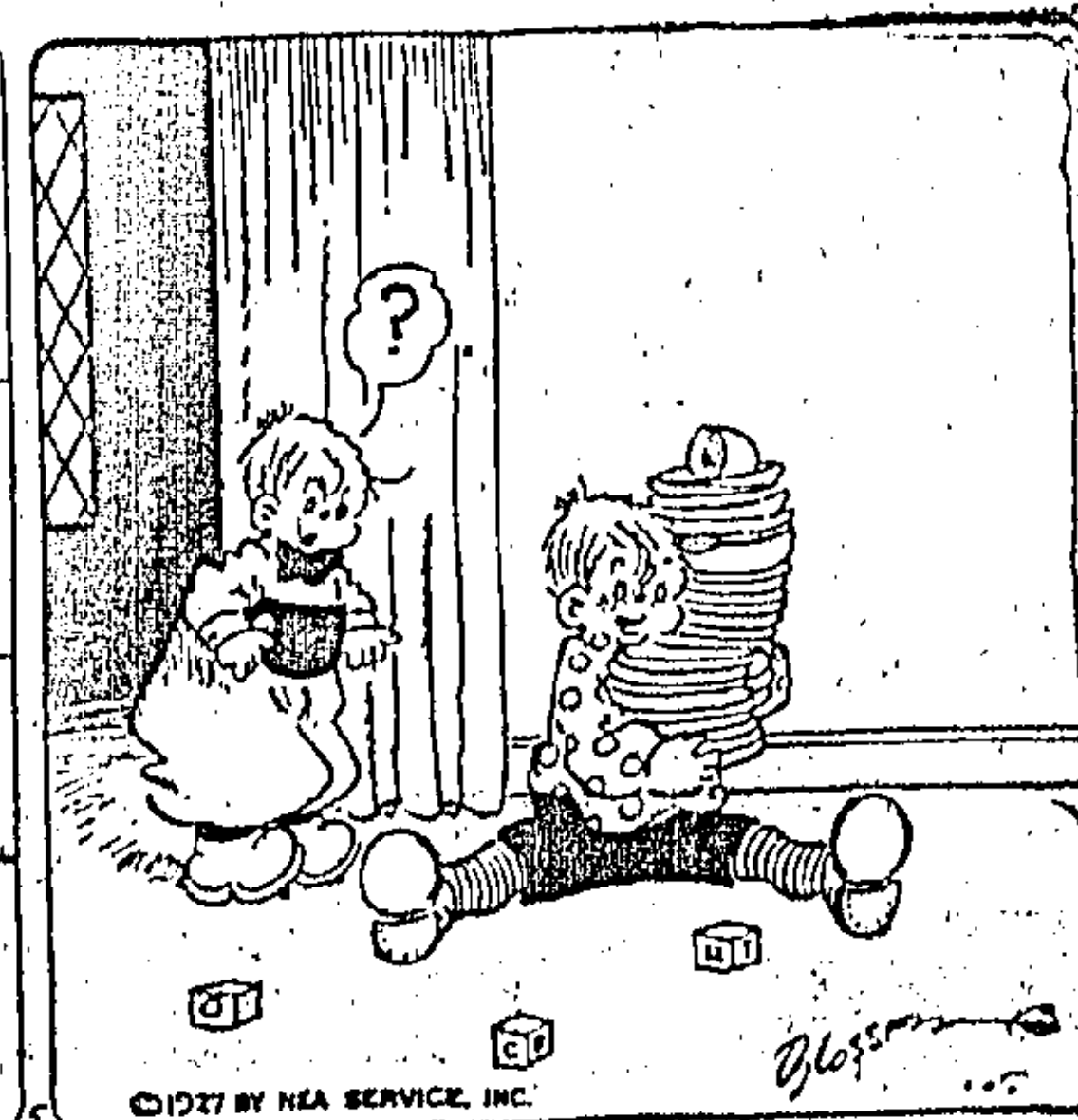
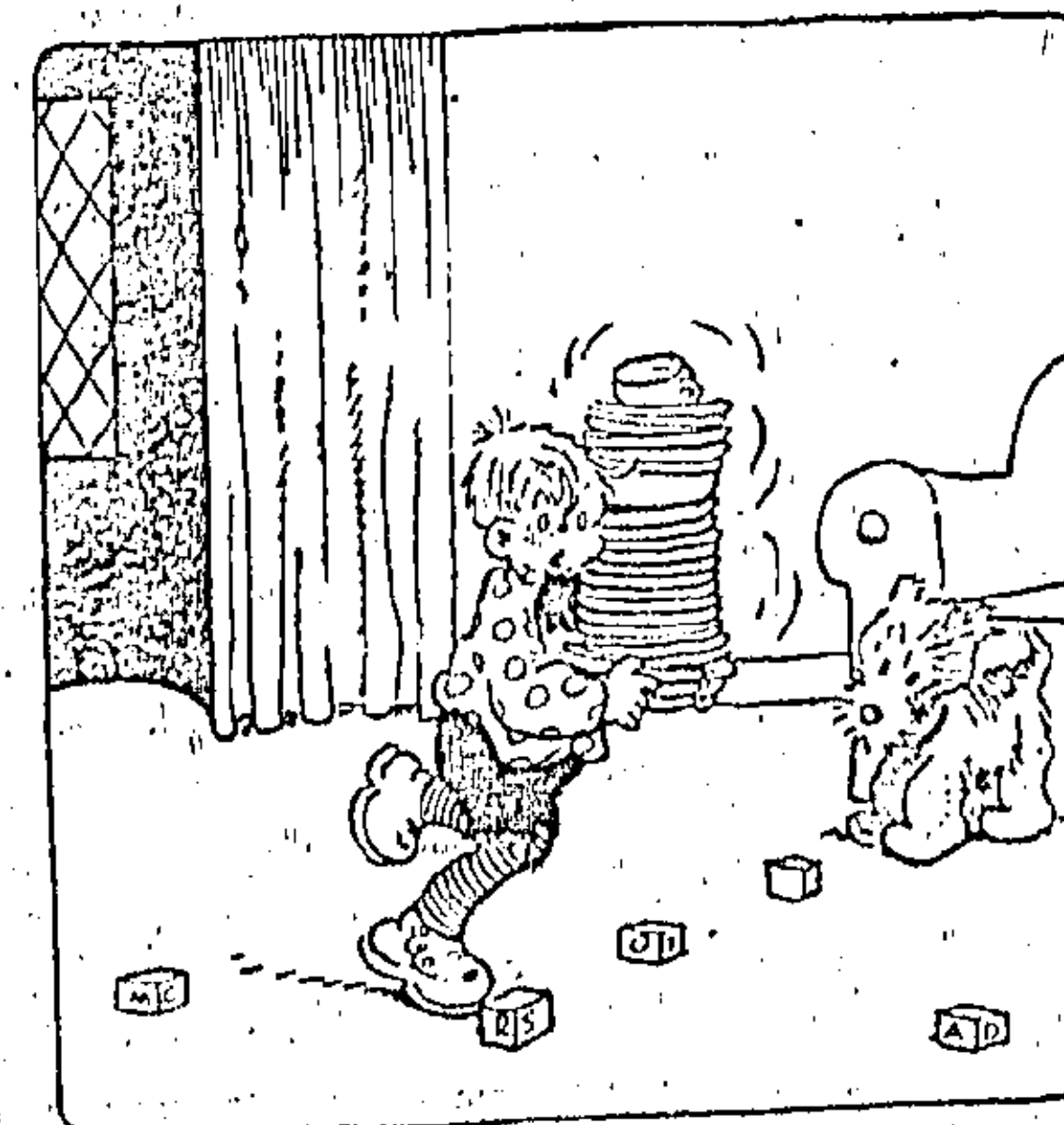
Why was it denied to railway
men, farm labourers, sick nurses
and many other people who could
not get to the church in time to
join in the Liturgy?

The Bishop of Durham, Dr.
Henson, likened the Bishop of
Norwich to Saint Simeon Stylites
on his pillar. He combined the
remoteness of the Saint and the
rigidity of the pillar. (Laughter.)
Around the base of the pillar, he
added, had gathered a mingled
throng which included a number
of moribund societies whose very
names were passing from memory.

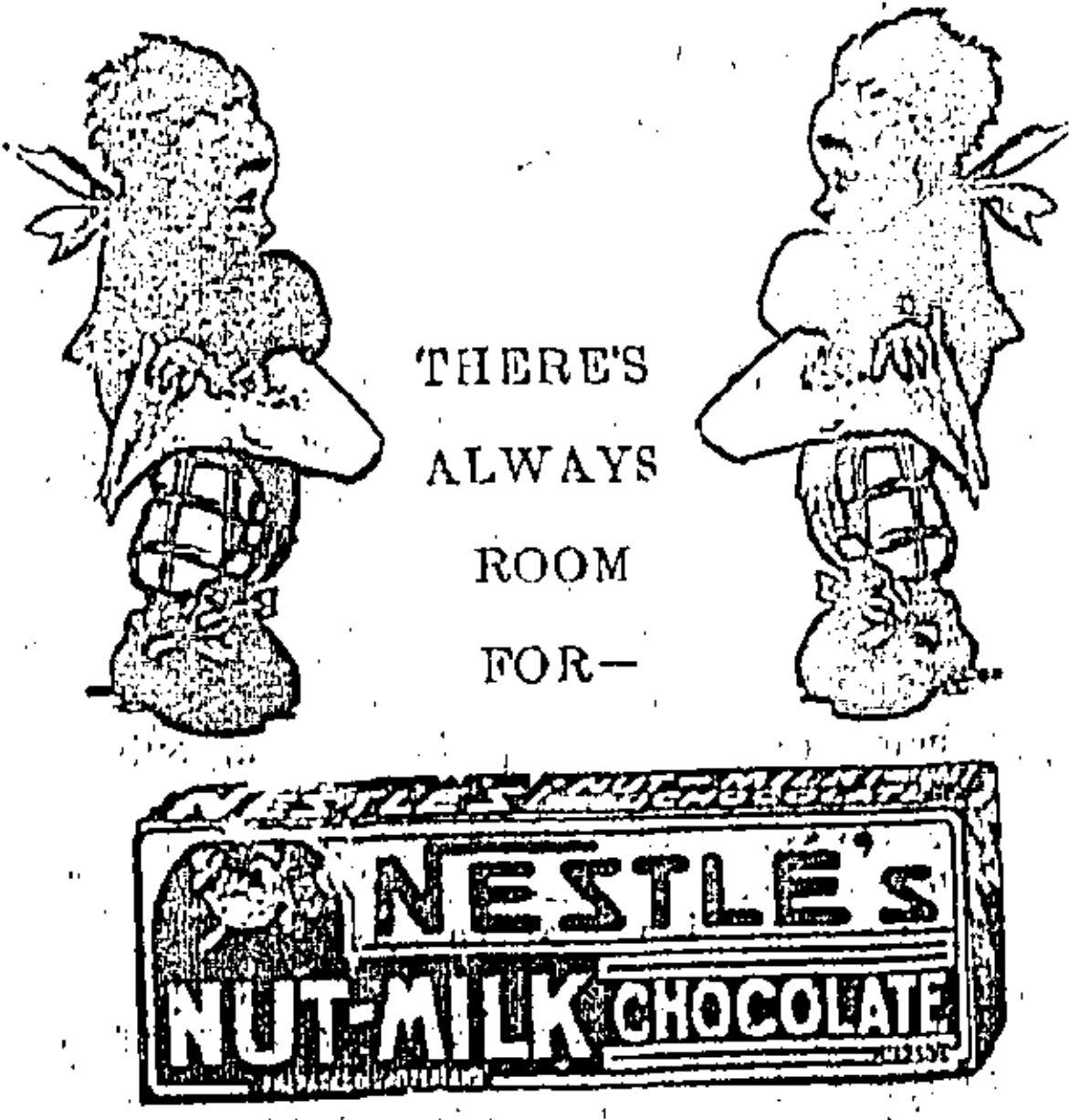
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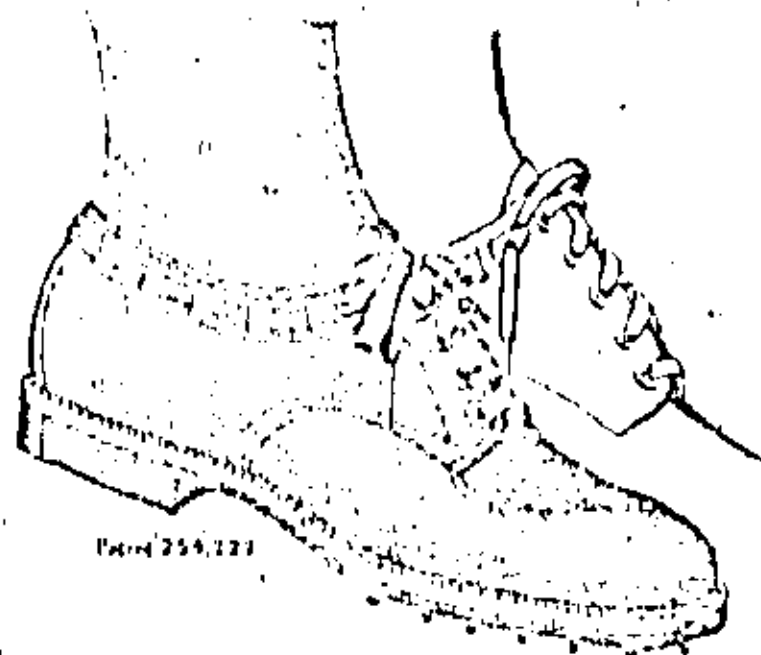
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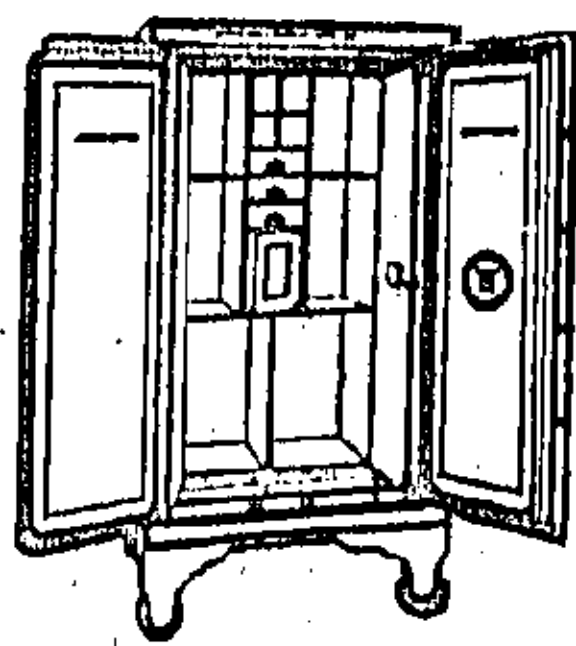
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FRIDAY, MAY 6, 1927.

THE NOTE TO U.S.

It is perhaps unfortunate that Britain has had to revive discussion on the matter of war debts, and particularly the British payments to the United States of America. We say "has had to" advisedly, for, whatever officials at Washington may say about the letter by Mr. Mellon being merely a domestic affair, it was from the Secretary of the U. S. Treasury, an official who is directly concerned with the debt payments by Britain, and was addressed to the head of Princeton University in reply to an appeal made by scholastic bodies that the question of the cancellation of war debts, all round, again be considered. This came just after Mr. Winston Churchill, in the House of Commons, had informed a questioner that Britain's receipts from the Allied countries in respect of war debts amounted, to date, to 210,000,000, whereas the total paid up to then to America, on account of our war-time borrowings from across the Atlantic, amounted to approximately £135,500,000. Figures to conjure with, indeed! In face of that, it was with considerable surprise that newspaper readers were informed a few weeks ago, by Mr. Mellon, in the course of his letter to Princeton, that "The fact is, all our (America's) principal debtors are already receiving from Germany more than enough to pay their debts to the United States." After referring to Italy and France, he went on to state, "From this year, Britain every year will receive from her debtors a substantial amount more than she will pay us, so that her American payments will not constitute a drain upon her own economic resources."

That categorical, sweeping assertion, made by a man apparently in possession of all the available figures, must have carried a deal of conviction, and, if the least bit inaccurate, necessitated early refutation. As it happens, as all who had worked out the actual amounts knew, the assertion made

by Mr. Mellon as regards Britain was decidedly inaccurate, and could not have been based on any intimate knowledge of facts. It required a categorical, official denial; and the British Government has rightly issued one to the public, both of the Empire and of America, in the form of a Note to the Government of the United States. The very full report we were able to publish yesterday, contains figures that tell their own story of heavy burdens borne, and, be it noted, borne more or less cheerfully, by the British taxpayer. If it was unfortunate that Mr. Mellon should have revived a controversy on a sore point like war indebtedness, it was particularly unfortunate that he should have included the one country that has been meeting its warlike obligations to the full, unflinchingly, and hitherto very successfully, despite receiving only a fraction of what is due from other sources.

As the Home Government reiterates, our policy has always been to expect no more from our debtors than is required to meet our American obligations, and this means that, in the event of receipts ever overtaking disbursements, we shall reduce the Allied obligations in exact proportion. In the end, America's claims will be satisfied, and we shall be very lucky if we get from others a fair portion of what we shall have paid out in the course of the next generation or so. It is not the time to raise again the ethics of all-round debt cancellation for those who fought side by side in the Great War—that is an ever-green topic on the Continent, and already the source of much unfortunate ill-feeling—but the British Government has done right to step in and nail an inaccuracy, at a time when, as the Note states, "it views with great misgiving the divergence of opinion, and estrangement of sentiment, which is growing up regarding these war obligations." That estrangement of sentiment could, we think, be avoided were men in official positions more careful as to statements they make on vital international questions.

World Economics.

The International Economic Conference now being held at Geneva strikes us as being both very hopeful and, at the same time, just a little too idealistic in aim to achieve very much that is concrete. We agree with the President of the gathering that the nations of the world are interdependent as regards economic needs and that it would be a very good thing if there could be organised world-wide co-operation in the realm of economics. The Great War proved how disastrous is a stoppage in the natural flow of commerce and products, and we all know how the supplies of raw materials from overseas are essential to over-crowded and industrialised countries. But that interchange of goods is part of the ordinary trade of the world and we do not think that it needs a special economic conference to support it, except insofar as those gathered together might learn more intimately of each other's needs. The ideal to aim at, so far as contributing to world peace is concerned, is the elimination of international competition for trade—an altogether impracticable and idealistic thought. It has been said with much truth that most modern wars have been caused by international commercial competition, the seeking after trade avenues, or the jealousies caused by losing them. Economic rivalry is largely at the back of the foreign policies of the nations of the world and it is inevitable that such competition should exist. In many ways it would be a great loss to the world if it did not, but there is very little to fear in this regard as it rests on one of the predominant traits of mankind. There must be international economic competition, but we agree that it would be desirable always to confine it within bounds which did not give rise to friction and ill-feeling. The policy of give and take, upon which commerce must eventually proceed, will, it is to be hoped, come to the rescue and avert any future wars for the commercial or economic gain of any nation. Competition there must be, but it should always be mindful of the welfare of all parties concerned.

DAY BY DAY.

NEITHER THE INTELLECTUAL NOR THE MORAL CHARACTER OF ANY PERSON STANDS STOCK-STILL.—Charles Reade.

The Annual Meeting of Worshippers at the Peak Church will be held in the Cathedral Hall on Friday, May 6, at 5.30 p.m.

All warships in Harbour dressed ship this morning, to-day being the anniversary of the accession of His Majesty the King. A salute was fired at noon.

The First Cruiser Squadron, H.M.S. Prohiber, H.M.S. Dauntless, H.M.S. Dahl, H.M.S. Dragon, and H.M.S. Dame, have returned to Harbour from exercises.

It is reported that a Chinese working in the Hang Fung rice firm, at 116, Connaught Road West, recently disappeared. It has been discovered that his account was \$95,000 short.

Some time between 11 p.m. on the 4th instant and 6 o'clock this morning thieves entered No. 38, Bowlin Street, Yaumati, and stole cigarettes, clothing and money to the value of \$180.50.

Two further Chinese cases of typhoid were reported yesterday, both cases coming from Victoria. Other infectious diseases reported were two cases of diphtheria (both Chinese) and one Chinese case of small-pox.

Mr. N. I. Brewer, of 25, Des Voeux Road Central, has reported to the police that between 8.30 a.m. on the 4th and 8.30 a.m. yesterday, some person stole from his office one electric fan and two desk telephones, valued at \$52.

The Harbour Office reports for the 24 hours ended 9 a.m. this morning gave 11 arrivals and 17 departures, leaving 66 vessels in harbour of which 21 were British. British arrivals numbered four and departures eight, the highest figures of the day.

Lieut. Commr. G. F. Hole, Harbour Master, was admitted to hospital last evening to undergo an operation for appendicitis. During his absence the duties of Harbour Master will be carried out by his deputy, Lieut. Commr. J. B. Newell, R.N., D.S.O.

An Indian watchman was sent to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from scalp wounds. He is alleged to have been assaulted by two Indians employed by Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., in their branch office in Connaught Road Central.

A Chinese suffering from fractured ribs and a fractured spine, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday afternoon. The man is said to have jumped into the road from the first floor of a house in Cleverly Street. He died about midnight last night.

The Local Chinese Administration at Tsingtau have issued the following Harbour Notification: "Referring to Harbour Notification No. 2 of 1927, notice is hereby given that the repairing of Yunnan Fog Horn is finished and the sounding of the said fog horn is to begin from this date on (March 22)."

According to a report made to the Police, a Chinese was sent to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from a fractured leg, after having been run over by Motor Truck No. 2216 belonging to the Hong On Transportation Company, of No. 10, Tai Yuen Street, Wanchai. The accident is reported to have occurred at Wanchai.

Another excellent entertainment was given at the "Better Old" Y.M.C.A., Peldin Road, Kowloon, last night under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee. The programme was provided by the band of the Cameronians and Miss Eileen Wood who sang songs from her repertoire. There was a very large attendance of Servicemen who thoroughly appreciated the excellent programme offered.

The latest issue of the "Silver Wolf," which is the official organ of the Boy Scouts Association of Hongkong, is full of meat, and of appetising quality. There are the customary notices of local interest to Scouts, as well as reprints of the reports on the annual meeting and the Girl Guides, whilst a description of the Rangers' camp at Shek-O, a contribution on "The Fairy Tenderfoot," and a Chinese section with an illustrated article on ants, are other features. The essay is reproduced of the winner in the competition held recently. It is on "Honour," and is translated from the Chinese. The winner was Scout Yip Fu-to, who receives \$5, another \$5 going to the funds of the 20th Troop, of which he is a member.

21 YEARS AGO.

EXTRACTS FROM
"TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended May 6th, 1906.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 2s. 1 1/8d.

The Amateur Dramatic Club gave a performance of "A Country Mouse."

The C.P.R. s.s. Montague arrived from England to take her place on the Pacific run between Hongkong and Vancouver. The Company entertained a party to tiffin, and Mr. Craddock proposed the health of Mr. Richardson, Superintendent of the Company, and referred to the untimely manner in which he had looked after the alterations to suit the boat to her new conditions.

There were 58 cases of plague reported.

The Pacific Mail s.s. Company resumed its regular service, which had been suspended owing to the San Francisco earthquake.

Mr. W. Keswick, M.P., retired after having been for 16 years the Chairman of the Committee of the China Association.

The Foreign Ministers in Peking jointly complained to the Chinese Government that the works of the Huangpo Conservancy were unduly delayed.

An Imperial Edict was issued recalling all the Literary Examiners throughout the country on account of the modification in the methods of teaching in the Chinese schools to conform to those of western schools.

Messrs. Wilks and Jack gave notification of the removal of their offices to Victoria Building from Beaconsfield Arcade.

The Band of the 119th Infantry played at the King Edward Hotel for dinner, and the Band of the Royal West Kent Regiment played at the Hongkong Hotel.

Mr. J. Reidie, Senior Inspector of the Sanitary Department, was presented at the Corinthian Yacht Club with a gold card case on his departure on home leave.

Regarding riots which had taken place earlier at Nanchang, the negotiations of the French Minister at Peking resulted in the Chinese Government paying an indemnity of 400,000 Tls. and giving an undertaking that the gentry involved in the riots would be punished.

Lieut. R. M. Crosse, R.G.A., was transferred to Hongkong to take up the duties of instructor in gunnery.

The Blue Funnel new twin-screw steamer Cyclops was launched at Glasgow.

The death of Mr. Dan Corcoran took place at Singapore. He was the son of Chief Inspector J. M. Corcoran, late of the Hongkong Police Force.

Mr. A. J. Darby was appointed Secretary of the Squatters' Board, vice Mr. L. C. Rees, on leave of absence.

Mr. M. H. Logan was appointed District Engineer of the Canton-Kowloon Railway construction (British Section), and Mr. R. Baker was appointed personal assistant to the Chief Resident Engineer in charge of the railway.

TO-MORROW'S
PICTURES.

A SPECIAL SELECTION.

To-morrow's Telegraph will contain a specially large number of interesting local pictures.

Exclusive photographs of the s.s. Tjilboet being towed through the harbour will be accompanied by another, taken after the vessel had been dry-docked at Taikoo, showing clearly the difficult nature of the task set and accomplished by the salvage workers.

Pictures of the spring festival gathering at Quarry Bay School, and of the competition held on Saturday last by the Scottish Company of the Volunteer Corps for the Quarry Bay Cup go to make the issue of special interest to Taikoo.

A group photograph of the army football team which won the Lal Wah Cup, and a picture of the K.C.C. cricket team, including Mr. W. Brace, who has scored 2,000

The Very Idea!

A doctor who had been called in to see a patient strongly impressed upon him the necessity of drinking hot water with his whisky. "Otherwise," he said, "you mustn't take it at all."

"But how shall I get the hot water?" plaintively inquired the patient. "My wife won't let me have it for the whisky."

"Well, tell her you want to shave," answered the doctor, as he took his departure.

The next day the doctor called again, and when the wife opened the door he asked how his patient was.

"I'm awfully worried, doctor," was the reply. "I'm afraid he's gone raving mad. He shaves every ten minutes."

"I'll have my hair cut short," said she.

"Oh, gosh, but I'll look strange."

And then she quickly changed her mind. "Cause she was short of change."

Four years ago a lady living at Wyde Green, near Birmingham, asked the Prince of Wales to give her six penny stamps as capital to start a business on behalf of the Life-boat Service. The Prince, as President of the Royal National Life-boat Institution, sent the stamps, and a business, known as the "Little Acorn," has been built up from them. It started with the making of rosettes. Later it developed into the making of woollen socks and gloves, although the original rosette industry is still continued, and it now has also a doll department. The founder and owner of the business periodically sends a balance-sheet and the profits to the Institution, and in four years, out of the six stamps presented to her by the Prince, she has made £4 10s. for the Life-boat Service.

A bootmaker predicted at Bow County Court that this year women would have shoes of a colour to match their eyes.

Man summoned at Willesden for keeping two dogs without licences: One was an old friend, and I took pity on the other when his mother died.

Wife at Kingston: When I asked my husband if he wanted a bath he exclaimed, "What, at this time of the year! I do not have one until summer."

Woman at Bow County Court: I do not mind a blackguard, but I cannot put up with swearing.

Solicitor at Lambeth: Your worship has no doubt seen coal in the streets which has fallen from coal waggon. Mr. Reoth (magistrate): Yes, and I have often felt tempted to pick it up.

Barrister at Kingston County Court: These two round circles represent street islands.

Fraulein Lily Schmidt lost her position as secretary of the Society for the Prevention of Suicide at Budapest.

She attempted to kill herself the following day by taking poison, but will recover.

The Health Committee of the Carnarvonshire County Council offer prizes every year for the best essays by school children on public health, and the following are extracts from some of the essays:

Every man should have a bath once a month and every woman twice a month.

If you wear tight clothes your joints won't work.

You must remember to wash yourself or you will die before your time.

We should control our bad temper, because fits of bad temper are no good for digesting food.

"What are those three old fellows having such a solemn consultation outside the pub for?"

"What for? 'My man, wi' whusky at the daylight robbery price it is, ye need tae hae solemn consultations before ye gang into a pub, mind, I'm tellin' ye."

Clive William Thompson, aged one year and 11 months, was bitten by a spider while playing at his home in Clifford Avenue, Thornleigh, Australia, and died an hour later.

runs this past season, will be of appeal to sportsmen.

In addition, there will be a flashlight picture taken at the dinner of the Armoured Car and Mounted Infantry Companies at Volunteer Headquarters, and two photographs showing the naval funeral of Petty Officer Thomas Bassett who was drowned in the harbour.

HEAVY RAINS ADD TO MISERY.

THE MISSISSIPPI VICTIMS' ORDEAL.

RICH AREAS ARE RUINED.

New Orleans, May 5. Heavy rains are adding to the misery of the quarter million people who have been rendered homeless by the floods, while over 45,000 inhabitants of the northern and central parishes of Louisiana are threatened with eviction from their homes by the formation of a great lake there owing to breaches in the levees.

Nearly half a million acres of rich cotton and sugar lands have been flooded. Three million acres of land are flooded in Louisiana alone.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Terrible Plight of People.

The flood refugees are huddled under strips of canvas spread from the branches of trees, or are crowded in tents. Others are travelling in motor-cars, astride of mules, or afoot, along all the roads of central Louisiana, to safety; but a worse case is that of those who, having followed the highway as far as possible, now crouch on the tops of the levees exposed to the rage of the elements, awaiting the coming of relief boats.

The levees have given way at two new places, and millions of gallons of muddy water have been added to the stupendous flood sweeping over thirteen doomed counties.

Wild Animals Grow Tame.

The animals for the Singer game reserve have been driven out of their homes and are searching for caches of food placed for them by agents of the conservation department.

The wild turkeys are so tame owing to hunger, that they gather now at the very edge of the refugee camps.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Water Dwellers Remain.

New Orleans, May 4. Although the majority of the inhabitants of the threatened parishes fled before the approach of the flood, the community of "water-dwellers" remains.

The angry floods hold no terror for these trappers whose homes are mostly built on raised platforms on the marshy banks of a myriad of small backwaters which flood annually. They have refused to leave and every family has from one to a dozen "pirogues" (small canoe-like boats) also small "shanty-boats" wherein they live during the season.

These have now become the only homes of many residents who will use the "pirogues" to transport supplies.—*Reuter's American Service.*

A "BROTHERLY" ARGUMENT.

MEDIATOR ASSAULTED.

The cross-wain of a Prison launch appeared as complainant in a case in which a Chinese was charged with assault, before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning.

It appears from the evidence that a brother of a member of the crew on the launch had a dispute with the defendant's brother. The quarrel led to a fight, in which brother helped brother.

The cross-wain came along to mediate, but the defendant turned on him and assaulted him. A few other men helped defendant in the assault. The fracas occurred in Connaught Road West.

A Chinese constable came on the scene, and the crowd dispersed, but the constable followed defendant who, when he was cornered, jumped into the harbour. He was fished out with a bamboo pole which had a hook at the end.

The defendant made a complete denial of the assault. He was found guilty and sentenced to seven days' hard labour.

PITCH AND TOSS.

MAGISTRATE STOPS STREET GAMBLING.

Looking out of his verandah yesterday, Major C. Willson observed that five Chinese youths were making a great noise and gambling in Arbutnot Road, which runs past the Magistracy. He telephoned to the Central Police Station and the boys were arrested.

This morning they appeared before Major Willson, and four of them, who admitted they were gambling, were each fined \$5. They said they were playing a game of "pitch and toss."

The fifth youth, who said he was merely looking on, was discharged.

AMERICANS RESENT NOTE.

MUCH INDIGNATION SHOWN.

Washington, May 5. Correspondents of the New York papers are outspoken with regard to the effect produced by the British Note.

The *Herald Tribune* states that it has aroused more indignation and resentment in official circles than has been manifest for some time. There is no doubt the President stands squarely behind Mr. Mellon's arguments. Treasury officials were so anxious to obtain the necessary authority from Mr. Kellogg for the issue of Mr. Mellon's rejoinder, that they got in touch with him at the 15th hole of the Chevy Chase golf course, when he immediately approved of the publication at Washington.

Officials are chiefly surprised that the Note was sent in order to answer a semi-private letter by Mr. Mellon.

The *New York Times* states that the Note has completely surprised officials.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Press Approval.

London, May 5. The British Note to America meets with the strong approval of the Press. Emphasis is laid on the friendliness of the Note and the necessity of combating the prejudice done to Britain in Europe by Mr. Mellon's mistaken assertions. The *Morning Post* trusts that Mr. Mellon will see fit to withdraw his erroneous statement. The *Times* says "it is particularly regrettable that Mr. Mellon should have appeared to sacrifice to the demands of domestic polemics, the scrupulous accuracy he might so easily have observed with regard to Britain.—*Reuter.*"

A General Thesis.

Washington, May 5. Mr. Mellon has made a lengthy statement in which he said that while the treasury does not desire a controversy with Britain, it deems it its duty in view of the British Note to present facts and explain differences.

There follows a statement by Mr. Mellon who says in his communication to Mr. Hibben that Britain was only mentioned as incidental to a general thesis and that the figures in the British Note were apparently used in a technical accounting sense, and this is the real cause for the apparent disagreement.

As regards facts he declares that the British Government now officially confirms the principal point made by Mr. Mellon in his letter to Mr. Hibben, namely that beginning with Sept. 1, 1928 and assuming that the French debt agreement is ratified, it will receive from its own debtors and from Germany sums sufficient to cover the current payments due to the United States Government.—*Reuter's American Service.*

IMPROVEMENT AT NANNING.

THIRTY "REDS" ARRESTED.

Word from Nanning, dated April 26, states that the son of the Postal Commissioner, Mr. Cheung Man Ling, who was kidnapped some time ago has been returned unharmed.

The boy's release, and that of another child, was obtained through information which was divulged by a captured robber. The military authorities obtained the boy's release by threatening the complete destruction of a village, situated about 90 li (450 miles) from Nanning.

The situation at Nanning seems to be improving. The local authorities have received instructions to arrest all the Communists and some 30 "Reds" including three of the Executive Committee were arrested. Otherwise, local conditions have continued peaceful.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

SHANTUNG PROMONTORY SIREN ESTABLISHED.

The following notice to mariners has been issued by the Marine Department of the Maritime Customs at Shanghai, under date April 28:

Notice is hereby given that a new first order fog siren has been established at the North-east Shantung Promontory Light-station at the site of the former siren signal.

The siren, which will be sounded during foggy or thick weather on and after May 16, will give three blasts of equal pitch and each of two seconds duration, every 1½ minutes, thus:

Blast two seconds—silence three seconds.

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ENTERTAINING THE SERVICE-MAN.

UNION JACK CLUB'S GOOD WORK.

THE KING'S RECENT VISIT.

Ever since the influx of Service men to Hongkong, owing to the increased garrisoning in China, the question of entertaining them has been to the fore. The Y.M.C.A. is doing a great deal, and has provided club rooms and periodical entertainments. This recalls the work in other places—at Home and in the colonies—of Union Jack clubs, and it may be that some day a similar institution will make its appearance here too. A Union Jack Club was opened in Singapore, it may be mentioned, some years ago. Readers familiar with London will recall the one that has been opened near Waterloo Station.

H.M. the King paid a surprise visit to this institution in mail week, and displayed great interest in the various arrangements for promoting the comfort and happiness of sailors, soldiers, and airmen who find it necessary to spend the night in London, or desire to get food and recreation at a place specially devoted to their interests, and carried on, not with the idea of making profit, but of catering for Servicemen in the cheapest and most efficient manner possible.

The King arrived at the Club at a quarter to four, and remained just over half an hour. Nobody was near the entrance of the Club when he arrived, but a large crowd collected before he left.

The King was received by Sir Walter R. Lawrence, and Brigadier-General Sir Frederick Gascoigne (the Comptroller). This was the fifth visit paid by the King to the Club. In 1904 he laid the foundation stone, and on the 1st July, 1907 he received his father King Edward, on the occasion of the opening ceremony.

He went again in 1911, and accompanied by the Queen, paid a further visit in 1917 for the purpose of seeing what was being done for the soldiers home on leave from the Great War. He was informed that the Club catered principally for warrant officers, petty officers, non-commissioned officers and men serving in His Majesty's Forces.

Sir Walter Lawrence informed him that there were 208 bedrooms in 1907, but to-day there were 769.

"Are they all used?" inquired the King. The reply was that it was astonishing the number of soldiers and sailors who went to the Club, and very rarely indeed were any of the beds empty for a night.

Memorial Stones.

The members of the Executive and members of the Club Committee were presented, and the King talked to many of them. He was delighted to find how great a voice warrant officers, petty officers, non-commissioned officers, and men of the Royal Navy, the Army, the Royal Marines, and the Royal Air Force had in the management of the Institution.

In the course of his tour, which extended to the principal parts of the Club, the King inspected the two memorial stones which record the laying of the foundation stone by himself, and the opening by his father. He also went into the V.C. Memorial Hall, and afterwards went into the billiard rooms and reading rooms, and met a number of men in uniform. He stayed and watched a game of billiards for a few moments until the players, becoming aware of his presence, left off and stood still to attention. The King motioned them to go on. Their attitude was that practically of all the men whom the King saw. They all stood to attention on his appearance, and remained at attention until he passed out.

At the end of the visit the King told his conductors that he was pleased with all he had seen, and was satisfied that the Institution was doing its best to meet the purpose for which it was established, and that he felt quite sure the Union Jack Club was of enormous benefit to those serving in the forces.

Members assembled in the exit hall to cheer the King when he left, and the cheers were taken up by the crowd outside.

A general meeting of members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce has been called for Monday, May 10, in the City Hall, to nominate a member of the Chamber for appointment to the Legislative Council for the usual term of four years, as the Chamber's present representative, the Hon. Mr. D.G.M. Bernard, will in future remain a member of the Council on appointment by H.E. the Governor.

HIDE AND SEEK.

SEQUEL TO BULLY-BEEF THEFTS.

Charges of theft of six tins of compressed beef, the property of the War Department, from the No. 6 Godown at Holt's wharf, were preferred against a coolie foreman and a watchman, before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Sergeant Barnicle, in describing the case to his Worship, said that Staff Quarter Master Sergeant Moss saw the two defendants on the bridge leading from the No. 6 to the No. 2 godown. The men had emerged from the former godown, which had been taken over by the military. They had no right to be in the premises at all, and on seeing the Quarter Master Sergeant the two men ran away.

The first defendant was seen to be carrying his hat across his waist. On checking the goods in the godown, Q.M.S. Moss discovered that six tins of beef had been stolen, and the matter was reported to Mr. H. Teale, the wharfinger. Enquiries were made and the defendants, whom Q.M.S. Moss had described to Mr. Teale, were arrested.

When questioned, the men denied the thefts, but they later each produced one tin of beef which had been hidden among the cargo in the No. 2 Godown. They were handed over to the Police, and later two other tins were produced.

The defendants denied that they were responsible for thefts, and stated that they had heard of the larcenies and where the goods had been hidden.

The first defendant explained his behaviour by saying that he was in the Military godown supervising certain work. He found the second defendant on the premises and had been playing hide and seek with him. He was chasing the second defendant when he was seen by the Quartermaster Sergeant.

His Worship convicted both defendants, and passed sentence of one month's hard labour on each.

SCOTLAND MARU REPAIRED.

TO SAIL ON THURSDAY NEXT.

Repairs to the Scotland Maru, which grounded on Tathong Point on April 12 and was subsequently beached in Kowloon Bay with Nos. 1, 2 and 3 holds leaking, have been completed, the vessel being berthed in the harbour on Tuesday.

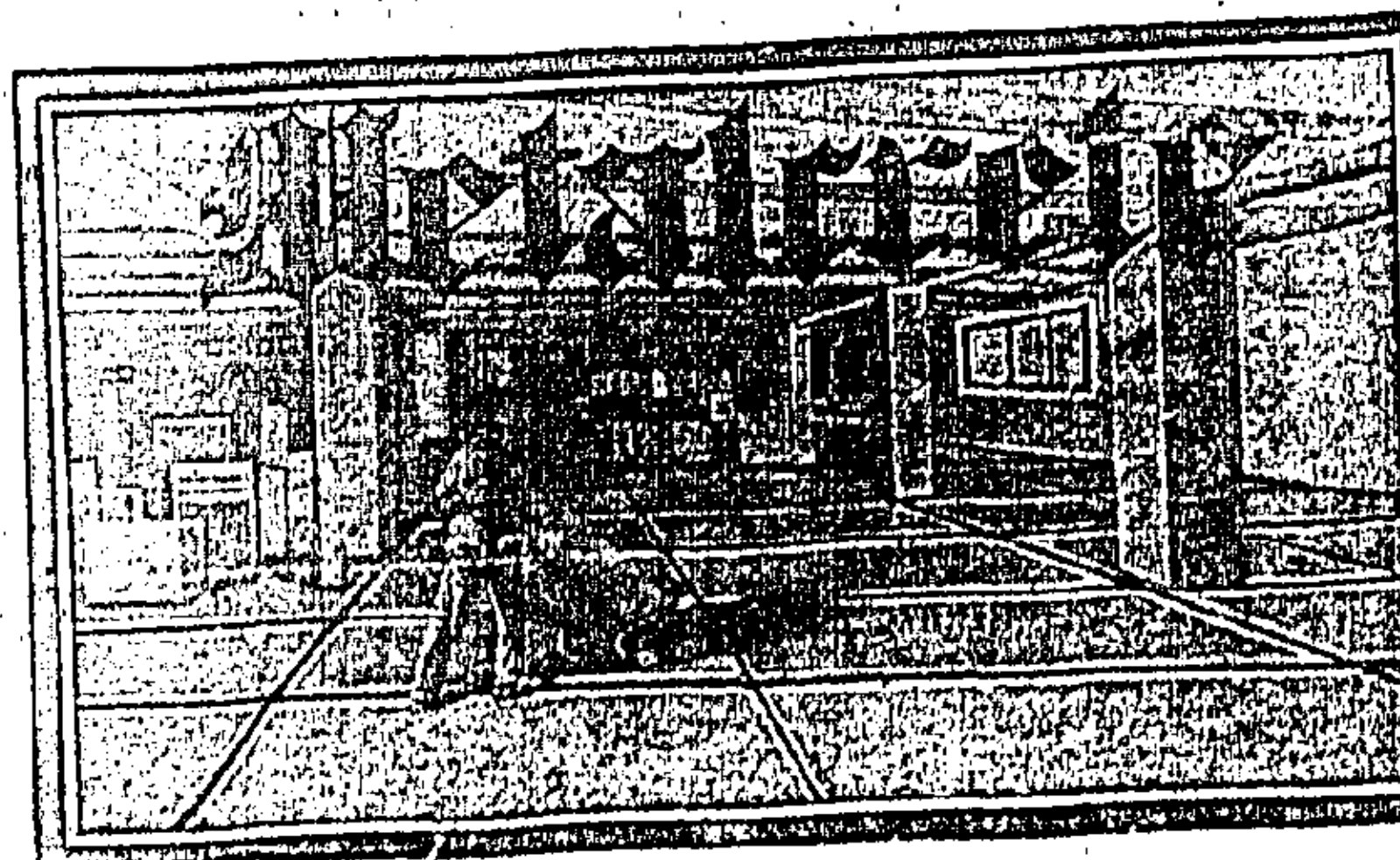
The Scotland Maru is now loading, and will probably be despatched for Japanese ports on Thursday next, May 12.

A Chinese boy, twelve years of age, was admitted yesterday to the Government Civil Hospital in an unconscious condition. The lad fell over the wall of the St. Lewis Industrial School in Heard Street. It is not yet ascertained how the accident occurred.

Sir John Gibbon, in reply to Mr. T. Johnston in the House of Commons, said up to a month ago the number of cases diagnosed as smallpox in Dundee was 66, excluding three cases on a steamer which had arrived with a cargo of jute from Calcutta. Of those 66 cases, 60 had been removed to hospital. Up to the present, 8500 school children had been vaccinated.

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FOLLY OF STRIKES.

MEETING OUR COMPETITORS.

In view of the passage of the second reading of the Trades Union Bill in the House of Commons, reported by *Reuter* to-day, the following, to hand by a mail paper, is of special interest.

The point of view of Labour regarding industrial peace was voiced by Mr. J. A. Seddon, past president of the Shop Assistants' Union, at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Edinburgh Rotary Club, held in the North British Station Hotel.

Mr. Seddon prefaced his remarks on "Peace in Industry" by saying that industrial peace was one of those things which, in the words of Lord Sands, everybody wanted, therefore nobody tried to secure. The way to perfection, he said, was paved with good intention.

Referring to the general strike, Mr. Seddon said that this feature in the industrial life of the country was not a sporadic thing, but the result of some eight or ten years' preparation. The full effects of the strike had not yet been felt by the commercial interests of the country, but there had been enough to show to them what a repetition of such a mad venture might bring.

Lesson of the Strike.

Mr. Seddon thought there was one good thing about the general strike. It brought the country with a sudden jerk to a realisation of the danger within the confines of the land. Immediately the danger was seen the nation responded to the call of the Government, and the demonstration and response that was then made was a redeeming feature in our national life.

Stressing the folly of a strike in a country such as Great Britain, dependent for four-fifths of her sustenance from countries overseas, Mr. Seddon said that they must bear in mind that Britain was no longer the workshop of the world. Many other nations had entered the lists as potential competitors for world trade.

Mr. Seddon made particular reference to America. Up to a few years ago, he said, the U.S.A. was content to rely on her own market, and her surplus for export bore no relationship to the export trade of this country. They were now learning that by mass production they could make a bold bid for the export trade of the world. Italy also was one of our most formidable competitors in the world to-day.

Appeal to Employers.

They could not get commercial prosperity when those responsible for it were thinking about dividing profits before production took place. The mentality of the rank and file at the present time was all wrong. They were looking around for a scapegoat for the general strike; they were floundering about not knowing where they were going. In the old days the strike was the only weapon, but Trade Unions and strikes were the creatures of a period in their national development that no longer existed. The strike as a weapon for settling disputes was as antiquated as the old blunder-bus.

Mr. Seddon told members that they had not done their duty by merely being content to carry on their business as best as they could. The workers were looking for right leadership. They had learned a bitter lesson in the general strike. It was up to those who had the opportunity to do so, and those in positions of responsibility, to try and change the mentality of the worker, to reverse the old order. They had got to take the worker into their confidence.

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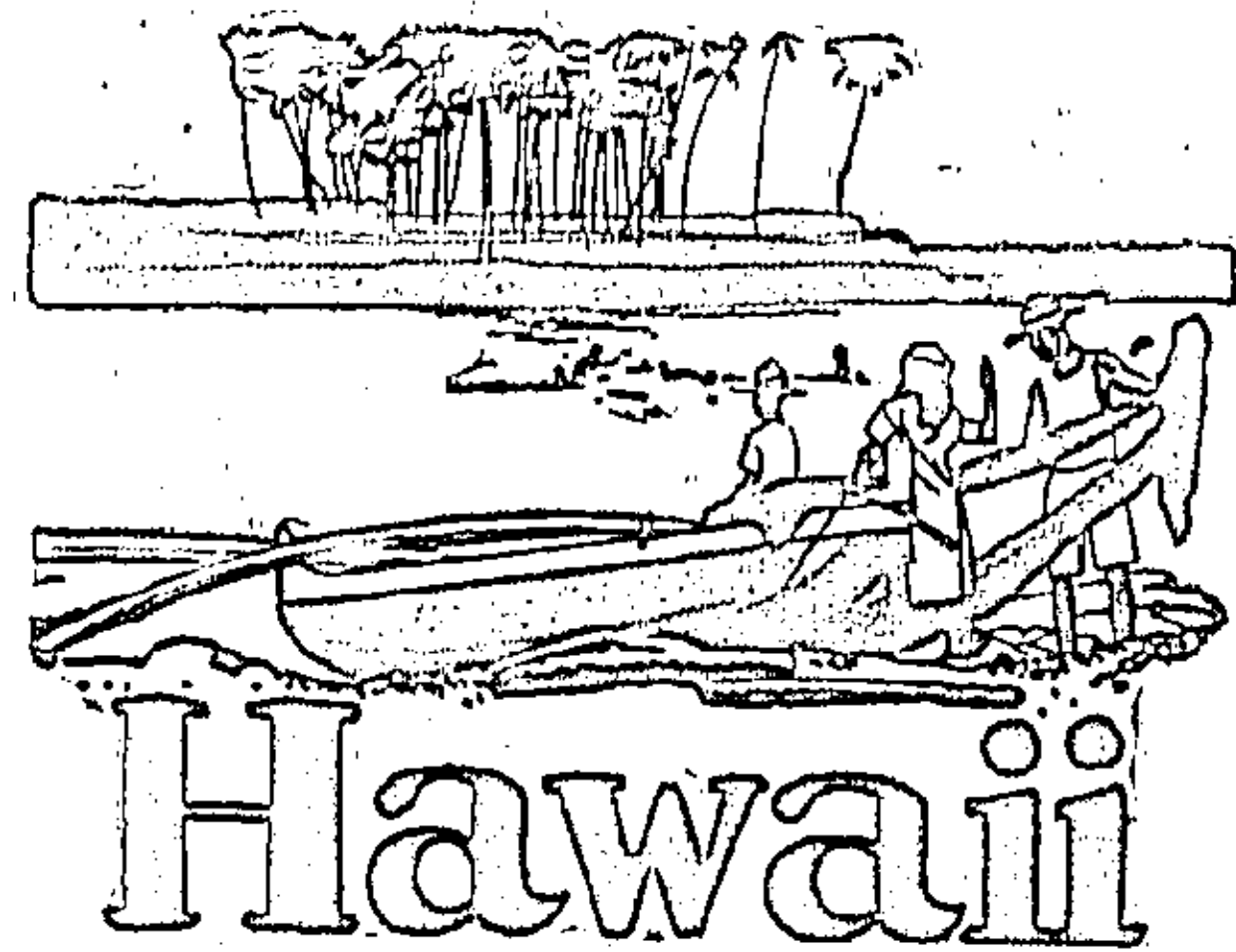
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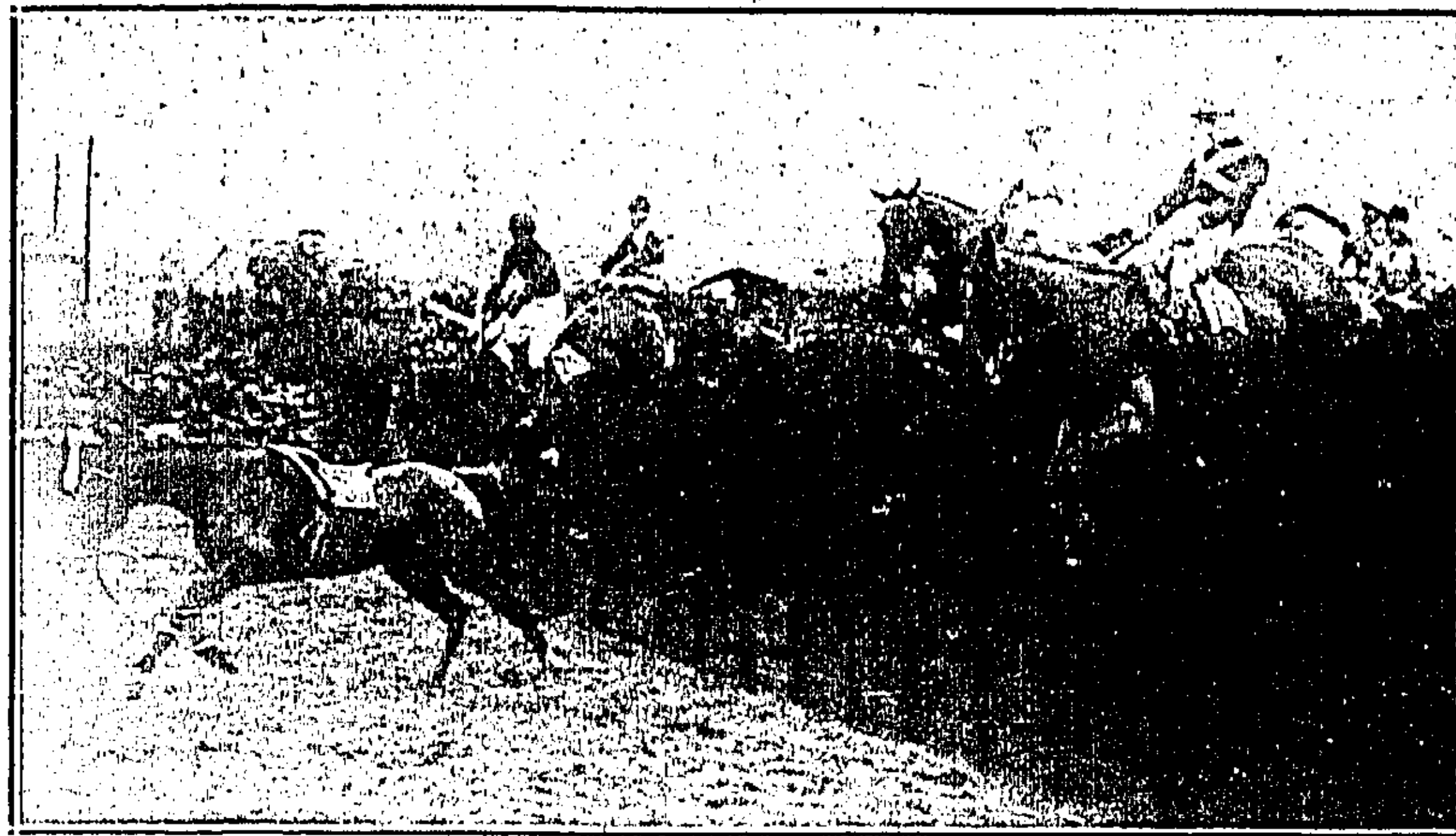
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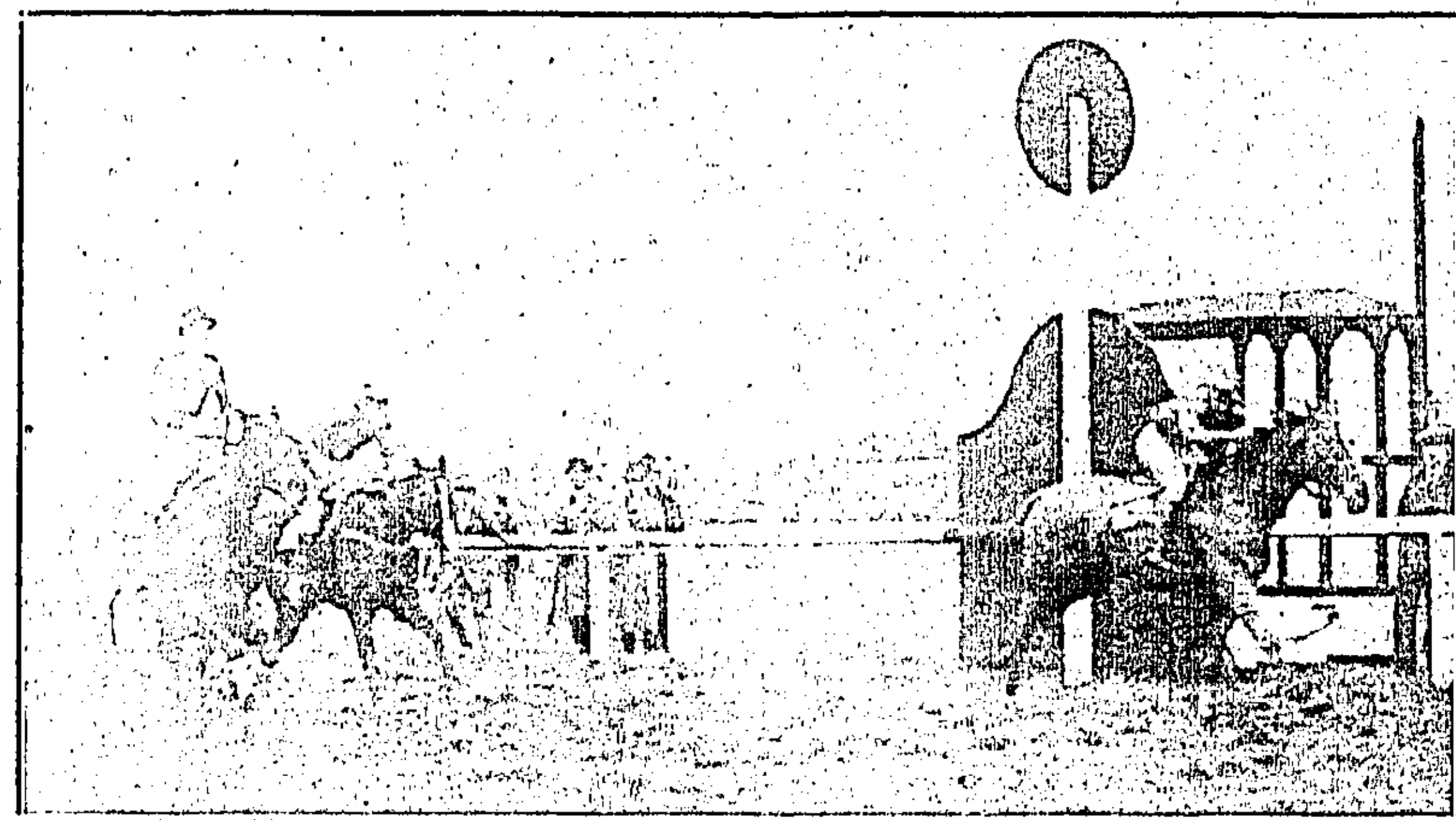
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ON RETIREMENT.

MISS SLOAN'S DEPARTURE.

One of the most respected and esteemed members of the Hong-kong Medical Staff recently left for England by the s.s. Malwa on retirement.

We refer to Miss M. Sloan, whose happy association with the Government Civil Hospital will long be remembered by all those who came in contact with her—patients and staff alike.

Miss Sloan joined the staff of the Peak Hospital, some twenty years ago where she remained until 1916 when transferred to the Government Civil Hospital as Assistant Matron. Shortly after, Miss Maker, who was then matron, retired to England, and Miss Sloan was appointed in her stead.

During the War, Miss Sloan trained a number of Japanese girls as nurses, and in 1921 introduced Chinese girls to the nursing staff. This latter experiment proved successful, thanks to the untiring efforts of Miss Sloan, and later the Chinese staff was considerably increased.

Both the new Kowloon Hospital and the Barker Road Hospital were supervised by Miss Sloan, to whom much credit is due for the present efficiency of those institutions.

Upon relinquishing her position, of Principal matron of the Medical Department Miss Sloan was made the recipient of a silver salver and cheque, subscribed for by members of the Medical Department. She has taken with her sincere wishes for her happiness in her retirement from a very wide circle of friends.

COMPANY REPORT.

LANE, CRAWFORD, LIMITED.

The report which is to be presented at the fifth ordinary yearly meeting of Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Limited, to be held at the office of the Company, on Saturday, May 14th, states:—

The Directors beg to submit to Shareholders a statement of accounts made up to 28th February, 1927. The balance at debit of Profit and Loss Account, after allowing for Depreciation and Bad and Doubtful Debts, and deducting the credit balance brought forward from last year, viz., \$2,494.38 amounts to \$63,430.84, which the Directors propose to carry forward to a new account.

Board of Directors.—The Board of Directors consists of Mr. A. S. D. Cousland (Chairman), Mr. W. E. L. Sheaton, Mr. Chan Tong, Mr. M. Manuk, Mr. E. M. Raymond (Directors), Mr. R. L. Bridger, Mr. F. M. Crawford, Mr. W. A. Eustace (Managing Directors). In accordance with the Articles of Association, Mr. W. E. L. Sheaton retires, but being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Linstead & Davis who offer themselves for re-election.

PORT OF SYDNEY.

"NOT BEING FULLY WORKED."

That the ports of Sydney and Melbourne are not being worked to the extent of their capacity is the opinion of Sir George Buchanan in his second report on Australian port and harbour facilities.

He quotes figures to show that while Sydney has a wharfage of 60,000 ft. and handles 6,778,000 tons of cargo, Bombay with a wharfage of only 24,000 feet deals with 6,459,000 tons.

"The two great ports of Bombay and Calcutta possess equipment on a scale unknown in Australian ports," he says. "Their trade may be fittingly compared with that conducted at Sydney and Melbourne, but it is most significant that the combined quay space of the two Indian ports is nearly 12 miles less than that of Melbourne."

As to schemes for the development and extension of Australian ports, Sir George is impressed by two features—that, with a few exceptions there is a lack of systematic data concerning physical conditions and natural forces in operations, and that works designed by eminent engineers have been either half-finished or the designs materially altered with the result that the works have not proved as successful as was anticipated.

At Byron Bay.

Replying to questions put by the N.S.W. Government, Sir George, considers that the scheme proposed by the chief engineer for harbours for the formation of a protected port at Byron Bay reasonably sound, but he points out that for a small additional cost a greater protected area with the same length of breakwater could be obtained.

The works now under construction at Coff's Harbour are criticised, inasmuch as he states that the design of the entrance to the harbour could not be regarded as satisfactory to give shelter to vessels of 26 feet draught.

As to Clarence River, Sir George Buchanan states that the Sir John Coode's scheme should be completed but as this provided for an 18ft. channel and a 30ft. was now proposed, the alignment of the breakwaters might have to be altered.

The New South Wales Government asked whether seeing that both the State and the Commonwealth would be interested in the establishment of a smooth water harbour in Jervis Bay, a certain breakwater design be satisfactory. Sir George replied that the question implies a knowledge, which he does not possess, of the requirements of each authority. But he points out that naval authorities generally disapprove of their establishment being combined with the working of commercial ports.

FRANCE WANTS HER GOLD.

PREPARED TO REPAY LOAN BEFORE DATE.

Paris, March 29.

The real reason for the recent visit to London of M. Moreau, the Governor of the Bank of France, is now announced here.

It was not a question of arranging a stabilisation loan. It was to propose to the Bank of England that the gold deposit which the Bank of France made in 1920 should be repaid.

By a convention of that year the Bank of England loaned the Bank of France a sum of £55,000,000 at 6 per cent. The Bank of France, as a guarantee, gave the Bank of England a gold deposit of a value of just over £18,000,000. The loan was to be repaid by instalments, beginning in 1924, and at the present time there is still £37,000,000 outstanding, but the gold deposit was not to be repaid to the Bank of France until 1928.

France's financial position has so much improved, however, that the Bank of France is now in a position to pay the remaining £37,000,000.

M. Moreau went over to inform Mr. Montagu Norman, the Governor of the Bank of England, of this effect, and to ask him to change the terms of the Convention so that France would be able to get her gold deposit back immediately.

Questioned as to statements to this effect which have appeared in the French Press, M. Poincare to-day said: "These negotiations have nothing to do with the Treasury. They concern the Bank of France; but I may say that the statements in the Press are probably true, though I have not seen M. Moreau since his return from London."

Opinion is expressed in some quarters that the return of the gold is desirable and necessary for the purpose of the slow, but certain, stabilisation of the franc.

A large scheme of harbour work at Port Macquarie, he thinks is not justified.

Sir George assumes that for the next 15 years and probably longer, arrangements need not be made at Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Fremantle for the reception of ships exceeding 35ft. draught, and at other ports 30ft.

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MACAO ATHLETICS.

ported that there are likely to be in the near future Portuguese owners of racing ponies. Racing will then come to be one of the attractions of Macao.

Results.

120 Yards High Hurdles: 1, Yue So-tung; 2, H. L. Chan; 3, M. Lau. Time: 18 2/5 secs.
High Jump: 1, Yue So-tung; 2, W. K. Ho; 3, P. C. Chan. Height: 5 ft. 1 in.
One Mile: 1, T. W. Ng; 2, R. Bingham; 3, J. S. Vaz. Time: 5 min. 22 2/5 secs.
Throwing the Javelin: 1, Tso Ting-tsan; 2, Leung Mo-yung; 3, Y. S. Wu. Distance: 130 feet.
220 Yards: 1, H. Braga; 2, Luiz Rodrigues; 3, S. L. Wong. Time: 24 secs.
Bicycle Race—One Mile: 1, J. A. Bento; 2, T. W. Chan; 3, J. Ribeiro. Time: 3 min. 27 2/5 secs.
220 Yards Low Hurdles: 1, Yue So-tung; 2, C. L. Ng; 3, A. Colaco. Time: 30 secs.
Pole Jump: 1, Yue King-ho; 2, W. K. Ho; 3, Alberto Lopes. Height: 9 feet 2 in.
Throwing the Disc: 1, Tso Ting-tsan; 2, Francisco Gillo; 3, Y. S. Wu.
Girls' Race: 1, Celia Rodrigues; 2, Jacqueline Pereira; 3, Alda Carmona; 4, S. Carey; 5, A. Rainer.
Volley Ball Game: South China "A."

Girls' Race: 1, Maria Cabral; 2, Lucille Rodrigues; 3, Alice Simoes. Girls' Race: 1, Yvonne Simoes; 2, Celia Maria Nolasco; 3, Maria Barnona.

Consolation Race (100 Yards): 1, Eusebio Xavier; 2, Leong Wing-chin; 3, Nam Sing-chow.

Officials' Race (100 Yards): 1, Guilherme Silva; 2, Carlos Silva; 3, Caesar Carqueja.

Meeting Champion: Tio-H. Braga and Yue So-tung, the Governor's Cup being given to the former and a special Cup presented to the latter by the I.R.R.C.

Track Champion: H. Braga. Field Champion: Tso Ting-tsan.

Pony Races for Novices.

The May Day Plate—Presented by the British American Tobacco Co.—1/4 Mile.
Six Hundred, (Mr. Burns) 1
White Pony, (Mr. Luz) 2
Honeymoon, (Mr. A. Fontes) 3
Time: 1 min. 07 secs.

The Labour Day Plate—Presented by the Po Hang Bank—3/4 Mile.
Glenmerin, (Mr. B. Vasconcelos) 1
Cherry Brandy, (Mr. R. Burns) 2
Gold Star, (Mr. A. Fontes) 3
Time: 1 min. 40 1/5 secs.

The Brazil Cup—Presented by the Mucua Club—5 Furlongs.
Van Dor, (Mr. A. Luz) 1
Chick To, (Mr. Y. M. Loo) 2
Six Hundred, (Lt. Braganca) 3
Time: 1 min. 16 2/5 secs.

PRESIDENT CHANGES.

LINCOLN TO BE DOCKED AT MANILA.

The local office of the Dollar Line announces that the President Lincoln, sailing yesterday at 4 p.m., will dock at Manila for minor repairs.

Her place on the schedule will be taken by the President Grant sailing from here on May 10 for San Francisco, the President Grant having sailed direct for Manila with troops.

The President Lincoln will then take the place in the sailing list of the President Grant, departing hence on May 18 for Seattle.

The President Lincoln arriving from Seattle and Shanghai, reports the death of one Chinese deck passenger from tuberculosis. Ng Wan, a Chinese mess boy is stated to have jumped overboard in a dejected condition, his body not being recovered.

The Chung Shan Cup—Presented by Mr. B. Vasconcelos—1/4 Mile.
Glenmerin, (Mr. C. W. Chang) 1
Aria Preta, (Mr. Y. M. Loo) 2
Un, (Mr. A. Fontes) 3
Time: 1 min. 05 1/5 secs.

AUSTRALIANS' TOUR.

LIST OF MATCHES IN MALAYA.

With the consent of the Australian Cricket Board of Control, a team of Australian cricketers, including eight international players, will tour Malaya during June.

The team will arrive at Singapore about May 23rd, by the Malabar and will leave Singapore on the return journey by the Marella about the 23th June.

The following are the matches which will be played during the tour:

At Singapore, Singapore Cricket Club, on May 28 and 29; All Singapore May 31 and June 1.
At Kuala Lumpur, Malaya, June 3, 4 and 6.
At Seremban, Southern Malaya, June 8 and 9.
At Ipoh, Northern Malaya, June 11 and 12.
At Penang, Colony, June 17 and 18.
At Kuala Lumpur, F.M.S., June 21 and 22.
At Singapore, Malaya, June 24, 25 and 26.
Messrs. Millard Watts (Singapore), A. J. Bostock Hill, (Selangor), M. L. Phillips (N. Sembilan) and P. W. Gleeson, honorary secretary, have been appointed the committee of management.

SEMI-FINAL CONTESTS YESTERDAY.

HOW AN OLD WOMAN WAS CHEATED.

LAST TWO DAYS SUCCESSES.

The amateur novices boxing tournament at the Victoria Recreation Club was continued yesterday, there being two sessions, one in the morning and one at night. The semi-finals were decided yesterday on Saturday undefeated competitors will meet in the finals.

Results of the earlier session are given below.

Lightweights (Men).

The first bout between Stokers (H.M.S. Dragon) and L. Cpl. W. Hume (Camerunians) was a very close affair, the sailor being knocked out in the first round.

Boy Crowe (K.O.S.B.) put up a fine fight with O/S Wright but the latter was a little too fast for him and won on points.

Private Hume (K.O.S.B.) was given a walk over against A.B. Lecland who did not put in an appearance.

Bantamweights (Boys).

Fernandez was too big for L. Remedio. The latter put up a very unimpressive fight, however, but Fernandez who won, was not really ended.

Wing to illness R. Stephenson was able to put in an appearance and place was taken by R. Maycock who put up a good fight against M. The youngsters mixed it up and the verdict went to Woo.

Fitz Earle was outmatched by Ng Sik Hon. The little Chinese was very cool and has the makings of a good boxer.

Heavyweights (Boys).

E. Mackay appeared to be too big for L. Remedios. Mackay had a pretty much his own way and but knocked out Remedios.

R. Xavier and Wong Shiu Man mixed into the ring and a good fight was put up by Wong who was cut short by Wong re-entraining after the first round.

The next bout Leung Pak Chuen and the first round when he was given a nasty punch from S. He.

Fernandes was too good for D. Mahan. Fernandes hit when he was cut, and the referee stopped the fight in the second round.

Bantamweights (Men).

In this class there were two walks. Rifleman Lewis (Camerunians) and Private Stevens (K.O.S.B.) were both too good for their opponents.

A fight between Private McCondon (K. O. S. B.) and A. B. Kirkhead (M. S. Froisher) was a very close fight, Kirkhead winning on points.

Connell was by no means outclassed.

Welterweights (Men).

The first bout of this class Pte. King (K.O.S.B.) won on points against A.B. Neicho (H.M.S. Dragon) who was conceding six hits. Neicho put up some lefty punches in the first round but was unable to keep his feet up.

Private Carney and Drummer Scott had the afternoon session with a fast fight. There was plenty of action in it and Carney was on the passive from the first round. Scott was quite game and keen but not so Carney won on points.

The Later Session.

No good fights were seen at the session yesterday when there was a fair audience consisting mainly of servicemen. Results of the semi-finals which were decided last night are as follows:

Lightweights (Men).

Dowbury, (Camerunians) had a walk over against Stoker Speight. Hume (K.O.S.B.) knocked out Wright (Dragon) in the second round. Wright was only saved by going in the first round.

Bantamweights (Boys).

Fernandez beat G. Woodier on points, and Wong Sik Hon won in a fight with M. Woo.

Lightweights (Boys).

Rocha, who had the advantage of right and reach, beat F. Dunnett. P. Anslow secured the verdict. P. Stephens. Both fights went all three rounds and all four starters showed excellent grit.

Bantamweights (Men).

B. Rowlands (Froisher) beat Lewis (Camerunians) on points. It was one of the best fights of the night and characterised by a good display of boxing.

B. Kirkhead (Froisher) beat Stevens (K.O.S.B.) on points.

Heavyweights (Boys).

E. Mackay met P. R. Xavier and a good fight ensued the decision was given to Mackay. S.C. Christie met V. Fernandez and received severe punishment in the first round and threw in the towel before the going for the second.

Welterweights (men).

There was a whirlwind bout between A. B. Green (Froisher) and Spaulding (K. O. S. B.). Green won on points after both men received some well delivered punches.

S. Gentle (Dragon) showed real pluck in his contest with Carney, but he was outclassed, was badly marked in the first round and sent to the boards once.

He was up for the second, received punishment, and the referee gave the decision to Carney.

Middleweights (Boys).

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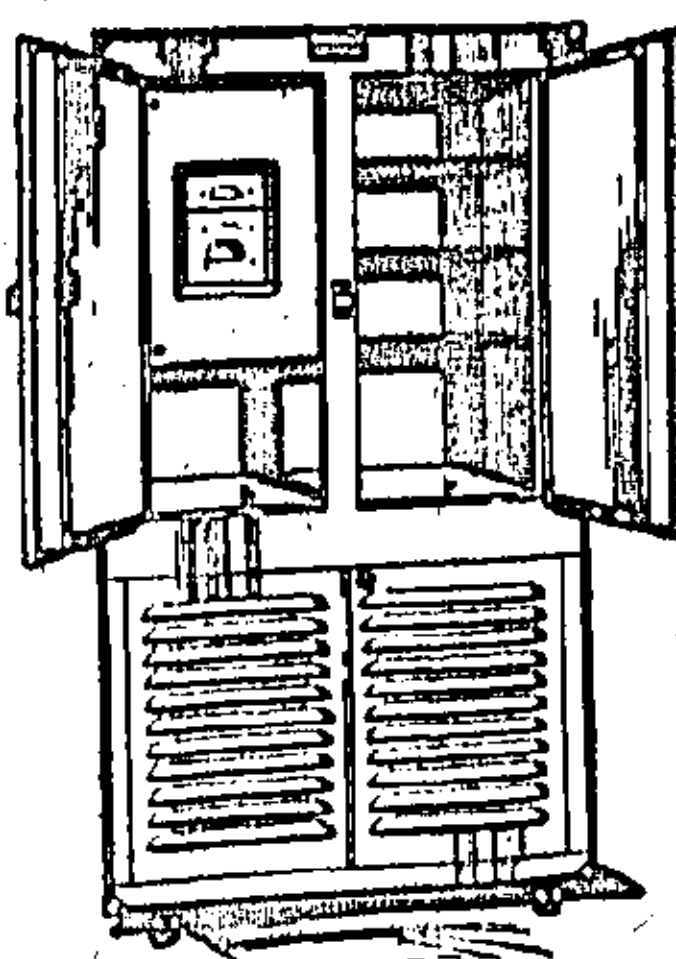
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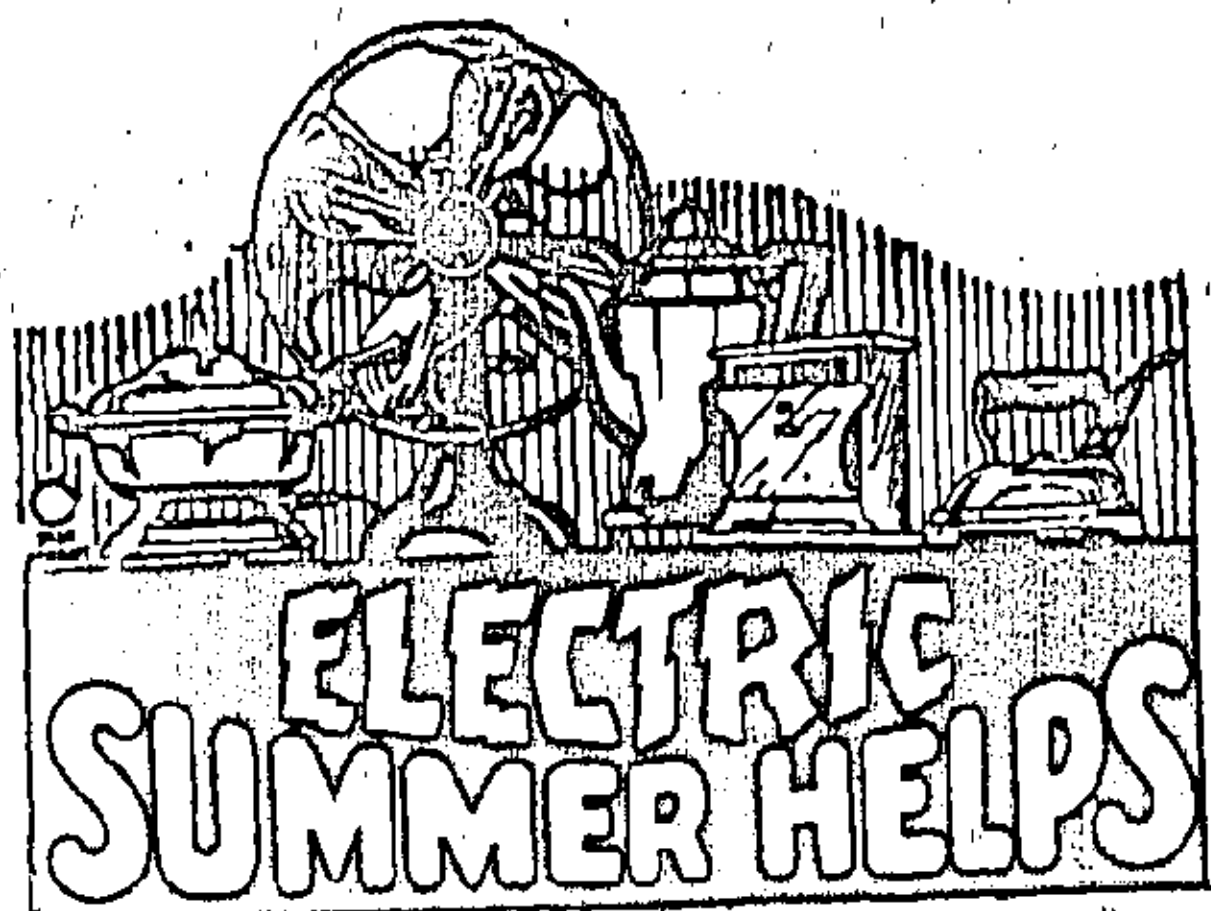
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THE VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.
Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird,
D. S. O. Administrative Commandant.
All recruits of the Corps will
parade at Volunteer Headquarters at
5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 10th May for
Musketry Instruction.

Recruits of Infantry Company etc.,
No. 1 Squad, will parade direct at
Kennedy Road Range with rifles at
5.30 p.m.
Dress: Uniform optional, belt,
braces and pouches, rifle and bayonet.
Signal Class.

Trained men of No. 4 Platoon will
parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30
p.m. on Thursday, 12th May, under
2/Lieut. M. G. Noll. Dress: Mufti.

Casuals.
Musketry Part I will be fired at
Peak Range on Sunday, 8th May, at
9.30 a.m.
Range Officer: 2/Lieut. T. A. Mar-
tin.

Men who have not fired Part I will
fire on the above date.
Dress and Arms as detailed for In-
fantry Company.

Artillery Company.
Parade will be held at Volunteer
Headquarters on Thursday, 12th May,
at 5.30 p.m. for Arms Drill. Dress:
Mufti. Belt and frog, rifle and
bayonet.

Mounted Infantry Company.
Recruits will parade at Stables on
Thursday, 12th May, at 5.30 p.m.
Dress: Mufti.

Armoured Car Company.
Machines Gunners will parade at
Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on
Monday, 8th May. Dress: Mufti.

All N.C.O.'s will parade at Corps
Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thurs-
day, 12th May, for Machine Gun
Instruction. Dress: Mufti.

Infantry Company.
On Fridays, 6th and 13th May, at
5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.'s and Other
Ranks as detailed by O. C. Company
will parade at Corps Headquarters
for special Machine Gun Instruction,
this will be the commencement of a
special N.C.O.'s course of training in
Vickers Gun assembling every Fri-
day, at 5.30 p.m. Musketry. Part I
will be fired by the above Company at
Stoncutters Range on Sunday, 8th
May, 1927.

Range Officer: Lieut. A. H. Penn.
As this is the last Sunday allotted to
this Company for Part I all those
who have not fired must endeavour
to attend.
Launch will leave Murray Pier at
9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at
9.10 a.m.
Dress: Uniform or mufti optional,
but rifle, bayonet, pouches braces
and belts must be taken as the whole
Course must be fired in Drill Order,
whether worn over uniform or mufti.

Arms: May be drawn from Corps
Headquarters on Friday, 6th May,
between 9 a.m. and noon, or 2 and 4
p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday,
7th May, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Scottish Company.
Thursday, 12th May, at 5.30 p.m.,
No. 5 Platoon, Musketry Miniature
Range, Tests 1 and 3.

No. 6 Platoon, Musketry Kennedy
Road Range, Tests 4 and 6.

No. 7 Platoon, Musketry Headquar-
ters, Tests 2 and 5.

Sunday, 29th May, 1927.
Stoncutters Range will be at the
disposal of the Scottish Company for
the purpose of competing for the
"Dyer Cup." Conditions will be
circulated later. Members of the
Company who have not yet fired Part
I Musketry, are requested to fulfil
that obligation as speedily as possible.

Portuguese Company.
The Portuguese Company will
parade at Volunteer Headquarters at
5.30 p.m. on Friday, 6th May, for
Lewis Gun and Musketry Training.
Dress: Mufti.

Reserve Company.
Musketry Part I will be fired at
Stoncutters Range on Sunday, 15th
May.

Range Officer: Lieut. A. M. Thorn-
hill.

Men who have not fired Part I will
fire on Sunday, 15th May, 1927.

Officers' Mess Meeting.
There will be a Mess Meeting at
6.30 p.m. on Monday, 9th May. All
available Officers will please attend.
Rifles.

Many members of the Corps are at
present keeping their rifles in their
own possession. This practice is con-
trary to Regulations.
Members are reminded that all
rifles when not in use must be kept
at Corps or Platoon Headquarters.
Those members of the Corps now in
possession of rifles must return them
without delay.

Strength.
The following are taken on the
strength and posted as under:
No. 1238 Pte. J. M. X. Souza, Corps
Headquarters, dated April 27th,
1927.

No. 1239 Pte. L. F. Souza, Corps
Headquarters, dated April 27th,
1927.

No. 1240 Pte. A. D. Wylie, No. 7
Platoon, dated May 1st, 1927.

No. 1241 Pte. G. B. Hayes, No. 7
Platoon, dated May 1st, 1927.

No. 1242 Pte. C. E. Backhouse, M.
I. Company, dated May 2nd, 1927.

Promotions.
The following promotions will take
effect from 6th May, 1927.

Artillery Company.
No. 6 L/Bdr. K. K. Staple, to be
Bombardier.

No. 732 L/Bdr. W. E. Price, to be
Bombardier.

No. 892 L/Bdr. A. S. Hersee, to be
Bombardier.

No. 427 Gnr. G. Punchedon, to be
Bombardier.

Transfers.
No. 679 Pte. D. Harvey is trans-
ferred from No. 6 Platoon to No. 7
Platoon, as from April 28th, 1927.

No. 643 Pte. A. R. Cox and No. 995
Pte. E. L. Foster are transferred from
the Armoured Car Company to the
Reserve Company, as from May 1st,
1927.

Leave.
The following are granted an ex-
tension of leave from the Corps, as
from April 1st, 1927, to September
30th, 1927.

No. 36 Gr. W. W. Muckenzie,
Artillery Company.

No. 138 Cpl. T. W. Doyle, M. I.
Company.

No. 1055 Pte. P. K. M. Patten, M.
I. Company.

No. 1082 Pte. H. Birkett, M. I.
Company.

No. 786 Pte. G. D. Mead, Armoured
Car Company.

No. 785 Pte. M. D. Scott, Armoured
Car Company.

No. 268 Pte. D. D. Urquhart, No. 2
Platoon.

No. 62 Sgt. J. M. Smyth, No. 6
Platoon.

Struck Off.
No. 1124 Pte. A. A. S. Gutierrez,
No. 10 Platoon is struck off the
strength of the Corps, as from April
21st, 1927, on Medical Grounds.

The following are permitted to
resign from the Corps, as from May
1st, 1927, on leaving the Colony.

No. 133 Gr. J. L. King, Artillery
Company.

No. 822 Pte. T. E. Jones, No. 2
Platoon.

No. 627 Gr. D. Mc H. Sherman,
Artillery Company.

No. 730 Gr. G. W. Merriek, Arti-
llery Company.

No. 497 Spr. W. S. Dixon, Engineer
Company.

No. 786 Pte. E. A. Harlow, Armour-
ed Car Company.

No. 561 Pte. H. K. Prosser, No. 1
Platoon.

No. 873 Pte. J. R. F. Corley, No. 1
Platoon.

No. 678 Pte. D. A. Rushton, No. 1
Platoon.

No. 533 Pte. R. H. Norton, No. 2
Platoon.

No. 289 L/Cpl. A. Mair, No. 6
Platoon.

No. 842 Sgt. R. Bell, No. 7 Platoon.

No. 1048 Pte. K. M. Logan, No. 7
Platoon.

No. 1051 Drmr. G. Duncan, No. 7
Platoon.

No. 870 Pte. N. J. Austin, Reserve
Company.

R. A. Wolff-Murray, Major.
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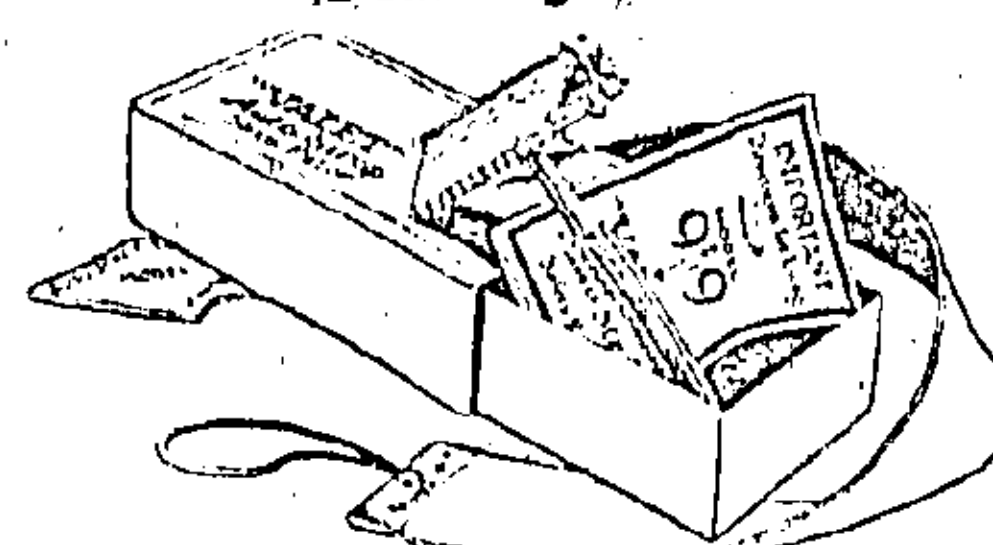
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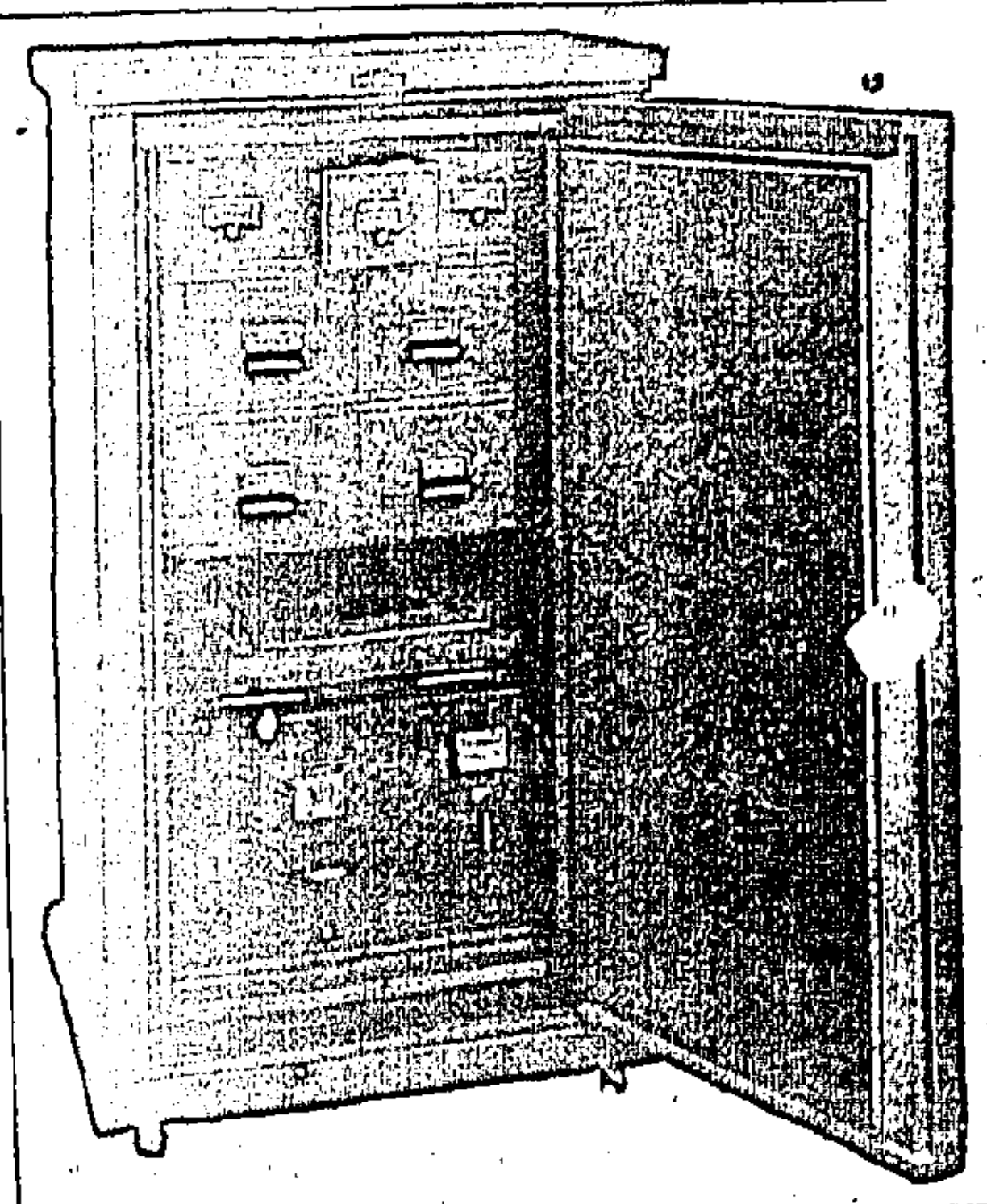
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SENSATIONAL WIN.

RUMJAHN BEATS HONDA IN SINGLES.

BRILLIANT PERFORMANCE.

(By "Wanderer.")

In a remarkably fine exhibition without a semblance of a fluke, S. A. Rumjahn sensationally defeated T. Honda, the champion, by three straight sets in the semi-final of the Open Championship Singles yesterday afternoon. Entertaining, indeed sometimes adventurous to the point of recklessness, energetic, and with accurate, Rumjahn rose to brilliant heights at various stages of the game, and fully deserved his success.

Honda took only eight games in the course of the match, Rumjahn winning 6-3, 6-1, 6-1, and yet curiously enough he gave a better account of himself in the final set than in the first two. One must admire Honda for his play towards the end. Although he knew that his position was precarious, he did not draw in his horns, rather did he extend himself to his limit. How Rumjahn stood up to a terrific barrage of brilliantly placed and powerful strokes in the last few games, he alone can say, but the shot he brought off to become "Vantage striker" in the final game was typical.

A Typical Effort.

Honda had worked up to the net, his volleying was beautifully accurate, and Rumjahn was kept continually on the run. Honda placed the ball to the far corner in a seemingly unbreakable position, but Rumjahn not only returned the ball, but with a remarkable wrist stroke left Honda standing with the ball shooting down the side-line. In the next rally Honda smashed the ball into the net and the game was over.

Rumjahn was in splendid form throughout. In the many long rallies he got the ball back with wonderful accuracy, if not with the same precision as his opponent. Honda lost point after point through over-coming returns. In his overhand work, too, Rumjahn was superb. He had a greater variety of strokes than Honda, who was content in the main to force to Rumjahn's back-hand, with an occasional dashing fore-hand drive. The Indian was constantly on the run, but he retrieved his position in capital style time and again.

Rumjahn Attacks Vigorously.

The first set was sufficient to indicate that whatever the outcome it would be a keen struggle and a great game. Each won his service in turn until 3-2 in favour of Rumjahn was called. The Indian by vigorous attack then went to 5-2 without conceding a point. In the eighth game, Rumjahn was within a point of set, but Honda recovered and finally saved the game. The ninth game produced a great struggle. Deuce was called four times before Rumjahn won.

Honda won the first two games in the second set with little trouble, but his forehand drives lost their accuracy in the third game, and Rumjahn broke through his service to love. The Indian won two more games, Honda worked his opponent out of position cleverly and went ahead at 4-3, but again after some lively rallies, Rumjahn again showed exceptional and unexpected brilliancy and took the next three games for set. The tenth game brought out the best in both players. Honda was placing the ball first in one corner and then in the other, but Rumjahn's activity stood him in good stead, though he must have breathed a sigh of relief when Honda smashed into the net with the court at his mercy when the score stood 40-30 in Rumjahn's favour.

A Great Struggle.

No fewer than five of the seven games in the third and final set went to deuce. Honda was more aggressive than in his won, but he lost the first—his service—game after several keen rallies. Securing the compliment, Honda made it 1-1, but Rumjahn went on to win five games in succession in the face of Honda at his best, to win set and match. Rumjahn was kept for the greater part on the attack though he took up the attack aggressively when given the opportunity. He brought off some wonderful recoveries, and found the side-lines repeatedly with capital efforts.

BRITISH BOXER WINS WORLD TITLE.

BALDOCK NEW BANTAM HOLDER.

London, May 5. Weighing in this afternoon for to-night's match over 15 rounds, at the Albert Hall, for the world's bantam-weight championship, Teddy Baldock, of London, scaled 8 stone, 5 pounds, 11 ounces, and Archie Bell, of America, 8 stone, 5 pounds, 1½ ounces.

Both are announced to be very fit, and confident of victory.

Later, Baldock won over Bell, on points.—*Reuter.*

Fine to Watch.

Baldock's victory, gained on points, was a splendid fight throughout. Both men showed great cleverness in attack and defence. Baldock, fighting in orthodox style, sent in beautiful straight lefts, followed by flashing rights to the head, and then varied his attack with right leads to the head and body.

Bell did well with blows to the stomach and hooks, but at the end of half a dozen rounds the Englishman was ahead on points, and continued to do rather better than his opponent until the 14th round, when the American attacked furiously, and bombarded Baldock with lefts and rights. The latter, however, made good use of the ring, and swayed and ducked skilfully, thus surviving the onslaughts.

In the last round Bell rushed in and tried his hardest to batter down the defence of his opponent, but Baldock fought back magnificently, the glorious struggle ending amidst an amazing scene of excitement.—*Reuter.*

COMPETITION RESULT.

FIVE TO SHARE PRIZE.

A large number of entries were received for last week's Football Competition. Of the claims received, 21 were for 8 correct matches, 19 for 9, and 5 gave 10 correct results.

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DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

DENMARK WINS FIRST ROUND.

Copenhagen, May 5. Denmark, by winning the first three matches in the first round of the Davis Cup, against Holland, earns the right to meet the winner of the Britain-Sweden matches in the second round.—*Reuter.*

In the final game, Honda serving the score at one time was 0-10. Honda pulled up to deuce by brilliant play, but he was beaten after ranging had once been called in his favour.

Last year S. A. Rumjahn met Honda in the final and lost after leading by two sets and 4-2. He now meets Ng Sze-kwong, the former champion, in the last stage of the tournament, and a repetition of last night's form should give him a good chance of the championship, an honour which has never yet come his way.

Results.
Yesterday's results were:
Open Championship Singles.—S. A. Rumjahn beat T. Honda, 6-3, 6-1, 6-1.
Club Championship.—S. E. Green beat E. Grimble, 6-0, 6-0, 6-2.
Handicap Doubles.—Dr. W. L. Thomas and G. W. Sewell beat Major W. B. Stevenson and Major H. R. Edwards, 6-3, 6-4.

No Play To-Day.
There will not be any play to-day in the tennis tournament, owing to the bad state of the ground after last night's heavy rain.

FINE BOAT RACE.

FINAL SPURT OF LIGHT BLUES.

A FULL DESCRIPTION.

London, April 3. Cambridge won the Boat Race yesterday afternoon by three lengths in 20 min. 14 sec. The race was probably the most exciting race seen for years; Oxford led for more than half the course, and at no point until after Barnes Bridge was the leading crew clear of the other.

Friday's conditions at Putney had led one to expect that the race would be rowed in very bad water, for on the day before yesterday the water was very rough indeed—so much so that one waterman of considerable experience declared that he had never known it rougher. But when we got down to Putney yesterday conditions seemed very propitious. There was no sun to brighten the spectacle, but the wind was a light one, hardly, if at all, west of south. In this quarter, what wind there was would serve only to help the crews to Hammer-smiths Bridge.

The tide was a decidedly strong one—though an expert who has made a scientific study of the tides at Putney declared that the race was timed to start a quarter of an hour too late. The usual very large crowd had assembled to watch the race, though perhaps not quite so many as of recent years.

A Late Start.

The crews were a quarter of an hour late for the start. By the time they were at the stake-boats the wind had freshened and swung round a little to the westward; so that, although the water at Putney was as smooth as it could be, we knew that the wind would be almost ahead in Corney Reach, and would stir up a rough sea there.

The delay in starting lost the crews the best of the tide, and appeared almost intolerable to many of the Old Blues on the banks, some of whom seemed, if possible, to be more nervous than the oarsmen themselves. Even the aeroplanes which were circling above the river seemed to resent the delay, and came down low, as if to inquire its cause.

At last, however, the crews came out. Oxford, who, winning the race, took the Surrey station, were paddling rather hurriedly, and did not look too well together. Cambridge, as the holders, followed them half a minute later, paddling with beautiful rhythm and style at a slow rate of striking.

The crews went off from the stake-boats in typical form—Oxford rather ragged, but rowing with much drive and determination as to counter-balance Cambridge's polish. It looked, at the start, as though Cambridge gained a few feet, but this is difficult to judge from a launch, and reports from the bank did not confirm this. For the first three minutes the crews rowed almost dead level; then, very slowly, inch by inch, Oxford began to take the lead. At the mile, Oxford were about half-a-length ahead; the time, four minutes and a second or two, was very fast, and, forgetting the headwind in Corney Reach, and remembering only that the further Cambridge went the better they rowed, one had hopes of something like record time. Opposite the Thames Wharf, Cambridge spurred; what little they gained, however, was lost in the spurt which Oxford put on, as soon as the Cambridge effort died down, and at Hammer-smiths Bridge Oxford still led by half a length.

In Heavy Water.

After Hammer-smiths Bridge, Oxford seemed to increase their lead by a little. They still looked ragged; Cambridge, nearly as neat and polished as ever. At The Star's training ship, and again at the Ship Inn, Cambridge "gave her ten"; but each time, in response, Oxford redoubled their efforts, without appreciably increasing the rate of striking, and held their position.

After The Doves, the water began to get really bad, and by the time Chiswick Steps were reached the wind—which was almost dead ahead—had stirred up a very nasty pottle. The waves were short and steep, and both crews had a thorough dousing. In this rough water, Cambridge's neater oarsmanship stood them in good stead, and although they were more than a half-length behind at Chiswick Steps they were already beginning, as slowly and as steadily as Oxford had gained their lead, to recover what they had lost. By the time the Cambridge enclosure at the Duke's Meadows was reached the two crews were level. Opposite this "gallery," Elles put in a remarkably well-timed and effective spurt, and Cambridge began to go

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give him ample consolation for the spoiling of his record.

Let us hope that Oxford's splendid performance will discourage those whose delight it is to deride her decadence. It would be idle to say that their form was first-class, but their courage in defeat gives the lie to those who profess to see in all her athletic disasters the manifestation of an effete University.—George Wansbrough, in the Observer.

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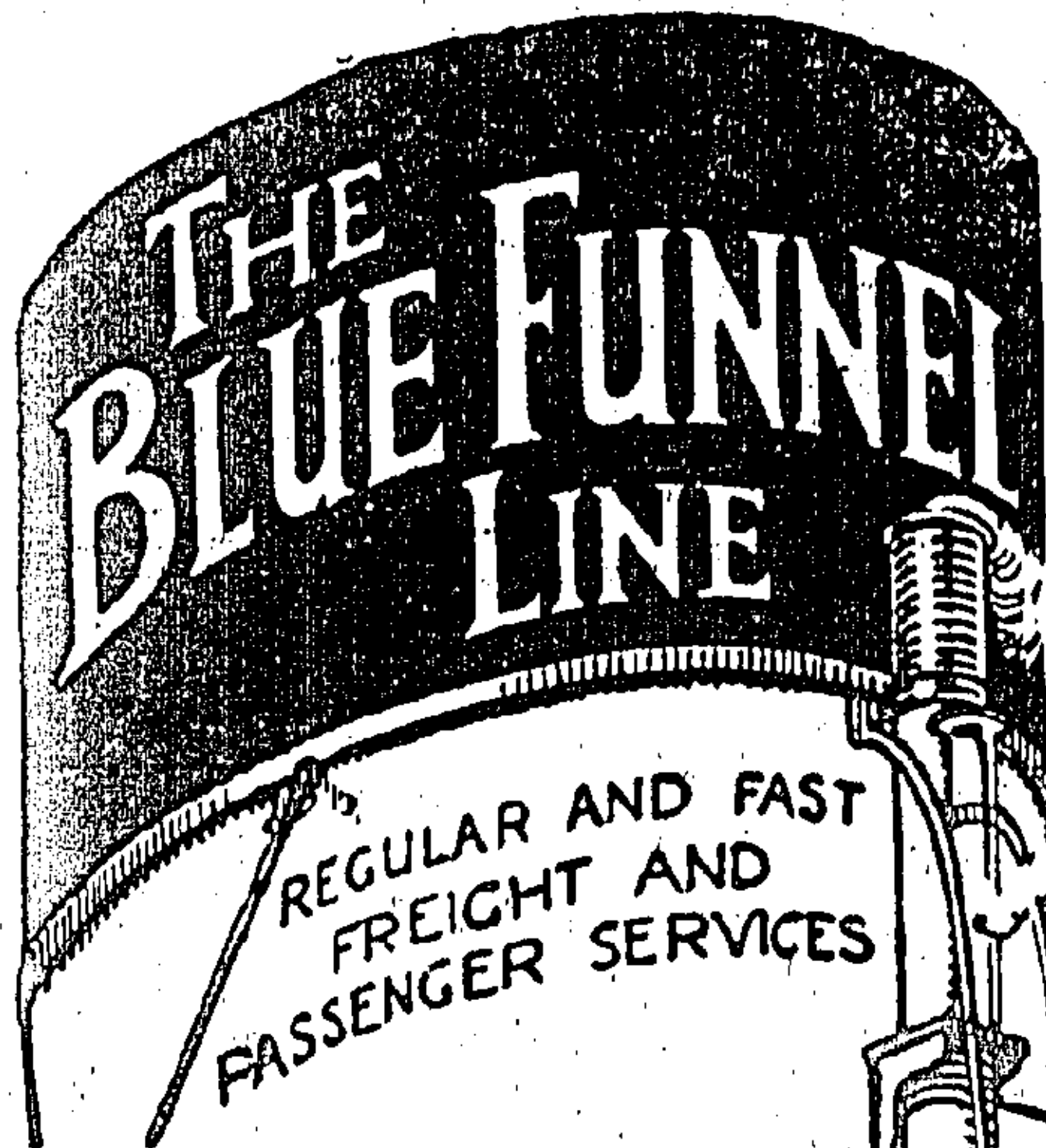
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BOGUS BANKNOTE.

DEFENDANT COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

The Chinese who was arrested at the Stag Hotel with a spurious \$500 note in his possession, was again before Mr. R. E. Lindsoll yesterday afternoon.

Sub-Inspector Shaftain prosecuted.

The first witness, a reporter of a Chinese paper, was recalled in order that the defendant might question him. Mr. G. R. Haywood, who appeared for the defendant at the previous hearing was not present yesterday.

The defendant alleged that the reporter had worked up this case against him. He had won \$30 from the witness in Macau, and as he did not pay up, defendant abused him.

Wong Ching, the assistant to the head of the Labour Maintenance Bureau, was next called. He substantiated the evidence given by the reporter at the previous hearing, which was to the effect that the three men met at a Hotel at Yaumatei. They arranged to meet again at the Stag Hotel and defendant was to bring with him bogus notes to the face value of \$1,000.

At the meeting in the Stag Hotel, defendant was invited to smoke opium and while he was doing so, he extracted a \$500 note from his sock. Witness examined it, and commented on the fact that it was not quite good. They made arrangements to meet again that night, and after that the defendant carried on smoking opium.

While he was thus occupied, the witness went to the window and, according to a prearranged signal, he threw a quantity of scrap paper into the street. This was a sign that the man was in the room and that the note was on him and immediately after the signal was given Inspector Shaftain entered the room and had the defendant searched. He was arrested and the note was found on him.

Sub-Inspector Shaftain corroborated.

On being informed that he would be committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions, the defendant reserved his defence.

LABOUR DISPUTES.

NORWEGIAN LABOURITES
OBJECT TO LEGISLATION.

Oslo, May 5.
Like their British confreres the Norwegian labourites are alarmed at governmental labour legislation in the shape of a bill for compulsory arbitration of labour disputes which passed the Lower House after very stormy scenes, the labourites walking out during the debate in mass.

A demonstration of Trade Unions was held outside the parliament building. The labourite motion for the rejection of the bill was lost by 27 to 83. The bill was yesterday adopted by the Upper House and receives Royal assent to-day.

The Communists are particularly bitter, advocating a general strike as a protest.—*Reuter.*

CHINA'S SPRING
CLEANING.ATTACKING LEAST IMPOR-
TANT ROOMS.

London, May 5.
At the annual meeting of the Church Missionary Society medical mission auxiliary in London, Dr. Duncan Main, who worked at Hankow hospital for forty-five years, said China was going in for a spring cleaning, but unfortunately was attacking the least important rooms. Missionaries were anxious that Chinese should stand on their own legs, and as soon as they could carry on the missions and hospitals, the missionaries would stand aside.—*Reuter.*

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Mr. F. H. Loseby yesterday defended two Chinese coolies who were charged before Major C. Willson with being in possession of over 16,000 *po pi* and *san pi* lottery tickets.

Two Chinese detectives, on duty at midnight on the water front, saw the two men come ashore from a Chinese sampan and approached them. One of the men was caught and the other started to run away. He was secured however, and on the person of one of them, in a belt secured around the waist, was 8,106 *po pi* tickets. The other man had 6,321 *po pi* and 1,610 *san pi* tickets.

A Chinese detective said that the tickets were worth at least \$7,500.

After hearing the police evidence, Mr. Loseby contended that at the most the men were merely carriers. They may have no knowledge whatever of what they were carrying.

Major Willson, however, remarked that it seemed apparent that the men knew what they were carrying as they tied the tickets around their waist.

The first defendant, who had two previous convictions against him, was fined \$150 or in default four months' hard labour, and the second man was fined \$100, or in default three months' hard labour.

BORNEO CHINESE.

KUOMINTANG PLOTTING
LEADS TO A RIOT.

Batavia, May 5.
The activities of the Chinese in Samarinda, East Borneo, which are believed to be due to the influence of the Kuomintang, led the police to carry out domiciliary searches in the Chinese quarter. They seized documents and arrested two leaders whom the crowds tried to release.

The police fired killing ten and a further twenty-five, including natives, were wounded.—*Reuter.*

JAPANESE CRISIS.

PREMIER'S APPEAL TO THE
PEOPLE.

Tokyo, May 5.
The Premier, addressing the Diet emphasised the seriousness of the financial and economic situation and hoped that the nation would continue to observe with restraint and composure the presented measures for assisting the banks. He intimated that the Government would leave explanations regarding policies and intentions till the December session.—*Reuter.*

JAPAN'S POLICY.

NON-INTERFERENCE AND
CO-OPERATION.

Tokyo, May 5.
Replying to interpellations in the Lower House, the Premier stated that the Government intended to continue its non-interference policy in China.

Questioned as to its attitude on the Nanking affair, the Premier while stressing the importance of co-operation with other powers, replied that the Government was taking no other steps than those taken by his predecessor.—*Reuter.*

MEXICAN LAWS.

SUPREME COURT REVOKES
PARTIAL AMPAROS.

Mexico City, May 5.
The Supreme Court has revoked the partial amparos granted by the lower courts, restraining the federal authorities from enforcing the new land and petroleum laws in the case of nine foreign oil companies. The court rules that the district courts were only competent to grant or reject amparos as a whole, not partially as the district court has done in this case.—*Reuter.*

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GENEVA CONFERENCE.

SOVIET DELEGATES.

Geneva, May 4.
The Russian delegation to the Economic Conference has arrived. The most elaborate police precautions for their safety were taken.

The delegates instead of alighting at the central railway station, where a large crowd had assembled to see them, left the train at Bellevue, three miles away, and from there they motored to a hotel, where the local authorities had engaged a whole floor for them.—*Reuter.*

Mr. Jack Weidman, the Dover Channel swimmer and trainer, has died in Dover Hospital just before an operation. He would have been 65. He was one of the unsuccessful aspirants for Channel honours, and was closely associated with Burgess on his Channel attempts and with him in 1911, on his successful swim. Last year Mr. Weidman was at Cape Gris Nez training Miss Cannon. He claims to be the first one to set the fast course from Gris Nez to England—the one Miss Ederle and other swimmers used. Before his illness he was training his wife for an attempt this summer.



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SANDAKAN	Mausang	Mon.	9th May at 3 p.m.
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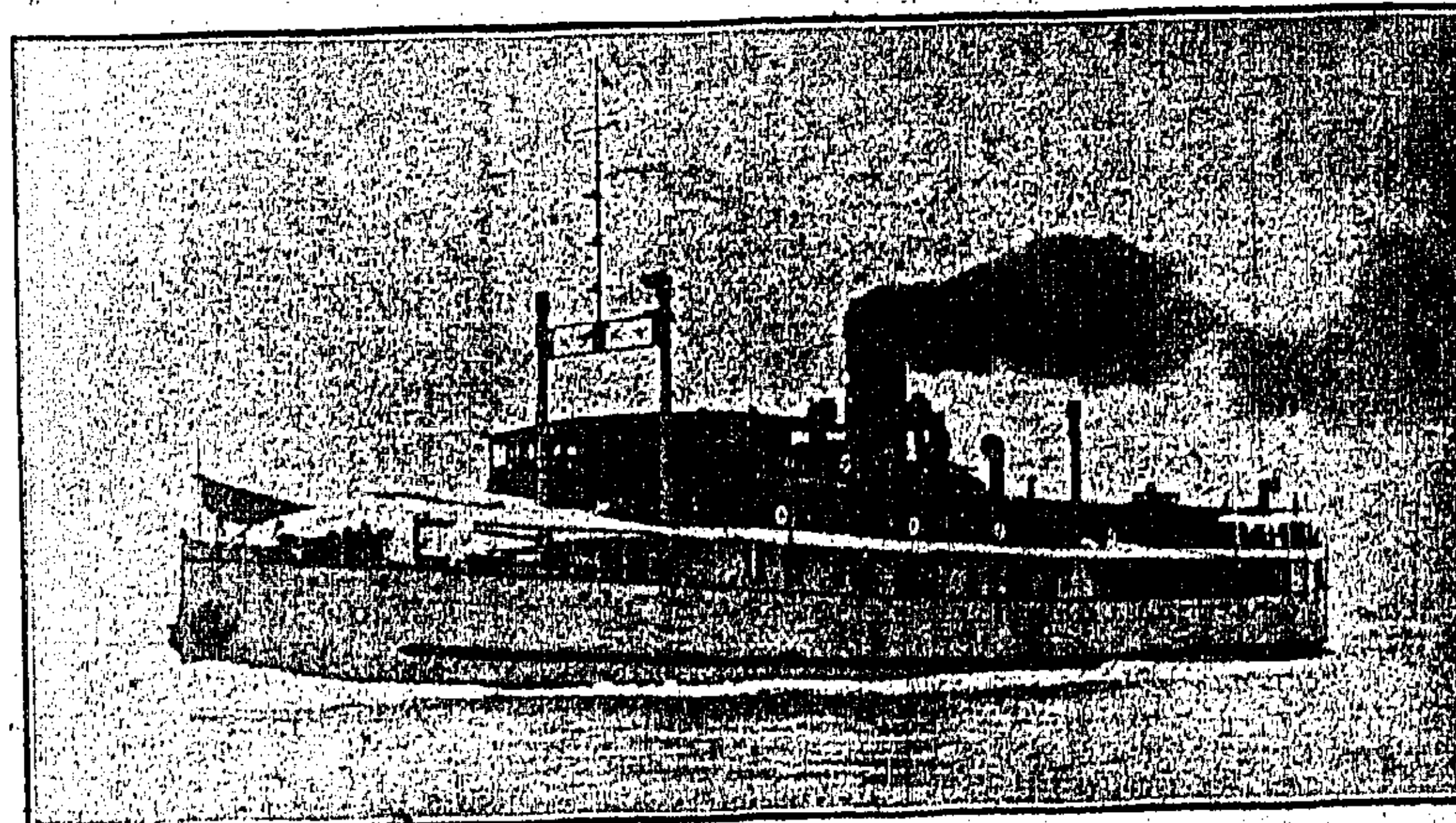
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BANDIT EVIL.

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cate them. And such a task cannot be performed in a single day with any lasting result. Moreover, the bandits cannot be eradicated by rigorous suppression by means of force of arms. The most fundamental and lasting method must be used, which is as follows:

Immediate Steps.

- 1.—To rout and destroy their stronghold, so that the bandits will lose their territory of operation.
- 2.—To offer a reward for the arrest and conviction of bandit chiefs; so as to make them feel the danger whenever they are away from their den.
- 3.—To employ spies so that robbers may be identified and arrested any time and without much disturbance.
- 4.—To advance and destroy all bandit strongholds at the same time, to allow no chance for escape.
- 5.—To resort to the strongest measures and clean them all up, making them purge their hearts in the revolutionary way, so that they will never go back to their bandit life again.
- 6.—To order all the military officers and their troops of the various places to act simultaneously so that no bandit may escape.
- 7.—To be on guard against the greedy merchants and local ruffians in whose shelter the bandits may be hidden. This will rectify all the past errors of this type.
- 8.—To order all the elders of the villages not to provide shelter for bandits. If they are found doing so, they shall be punished to the same extent as the bandits themselves.
- 9.—To open negotiations with Hongkong and Macao for the purpose of stopping the offer of refuge to bandits. This will tend to eradicate the very root of banditry.

The Fundamental Solution.

- 1.—To provide effective measures against banditry. Let every district be self-defensive. Let there be co-operation between soldiers and the masses of people.
- 2.—To unify all the armed organizations. In so doing those who possess fire arms will not be allowed to lend them to other people for predatory purposes.
- 3.—To take a census of the people.
- 4.—To construct public highways, so as to enable soldiers to go from one place to another to cope with any emergency in the shortest possible time.
- 5.—To inaugurate a system of censorship among the officials, so that they will not dare to disregard anything respecting the cleaning up of banditry.

CHANG TSO-LIN.

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But Chang Tso-lin is something more than a brilliant adventurer, a bandit on a great scale. He is good deal of a statesman as well: astute, calculating, far-seeing. As early as two years ago he told me that China's greatest peril came not from the militarists within or without, but from Russia. Chang's success has been very largely due to his departure from traditional Chinese methods, and his reliance on foreigners. He has an able American political adviser, Mr. Carleton E. Baker, and amongst other staff officers, an English munitions expert, "General" Frank Sutton, an old Estonian, who in another age, would have cut and thrust his way through the pages of Dumas.

In connexion with the London Morning Post, comment on China's import trade, in discarded horse-shoes, the following information may be interesting. The import of old horse-shoes into Shanghai alone has often aggregated as much as Tls. 75,000 a year in value. The commonest use for old horse-shoes is the manufacture of Chinese razors and knives. Razors made of horse-shoes which have been hastily forged and tempered for a cheap market often show traces of the old nail holes of the horse-shoes in the thick edge of the blade. Old horse-shoes seem well adapted for the manufacture of the Chinese razor, which at best is a crude, unpolished device with a blade an inch and a half wide and two inches in length, and some quarter-inch in thickness at the top edge. Horse-shoes form only a small portion of the total Chinese imports of old iron. Rusty and worn-out metals of all shapes, including such things as railway spikes which have outlived their usefulness in service, are imported in great quantities and are fabricated into crude native nails—which, instead of having a flattened portion as a head, are curled over at one end and a thousand other odds and ends of iron-mongery.

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WINES SOLD ON HARBOUR JUNK.

Retailers of Chinese wines recently complained to the Revenue Department that, on account of the large amount of smuggled wine being put on the market, they were being deprived of a fair share of business. "For many of them it was claimed that they had not made sufficient business even to cover the cost of their licenses, and they asked that rigid measures be taken to check this unfair competition."

The position was appreciated by the Department, and when C.P.O. Clarke prosecuted a boatman and his wife before Major C. Willson this morning, he asked that a heavy penalty be inflicted in the case, in view of the facts as advanced by the retailers.

He stated that, on information received, a Chinese Revenue Officer was sent to Shaikwan, where he boarded a large boat in the harbour and bought two bottles of Chinese rice-spirits called *shung-tsing*, and paid with two marked twenty-cent pieces. These coins were found on the woman defendant when witness later boarded the boat himself.

Witness produced the two bottles of wine in Court, and said that more jars containing the same stuff were also seized in a smaller boat moored alongside the defendant's junk.

C.P.O. Clarke added that he was not suggesting it was smuggled stuff that was seized, but he thought if defendants had the chance to deal in the cheaper brand of smuggled wines, they would hardly have rejected it.

Small Boy Blamed.
The female defendant denied that she was retailing. She blamed a small boy who, against her orders, had sold the wine, and she assured the Magistrate that she had beaten the boy severely for his misdemeanour.

Statements made by the defendants when first charged at the Police Station were produced. These showed that both had clearly admitted that they were selling the liquor.

His Worship fined each of the defendants \$100, or in default, two months' hard labour. An order was made for the confiscation of the wine seized.

POLICEMAN'S CHARGE FAILS.

COUNTER ACCUSATION.

A chair coolie, employed by Mr. P. S. Cassidy, was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning with assault on an Indian constable and with disobeying the constable.

The Indian policeman said that a number of coolies gathered round the Peak Tram Station in Stubbs Road. He asked them to move on, and not to obstruct the way. His order was obeyed except by the defendant, who is alleged to have struck the constable on the nose and to have defied him.

A couple of soldiers who were on duty at the Tram Station came to the assistance of the policeman, and brought the coolie to the Police Station.

Private James Pettigrew, of the 2nd K.O.S.B., gave evidence to show that there was actually a fight between the defendant and the previous witness. In answer to Mr. Lindsell, he said that he did not see a crowd obstructing the entrance to the station.

Defendant said that he did not disobey the policeman as alleged. He only pushed the constable away because the latter made improper advances. He called several witnesses to substantiate his story.

The Magistrate discharged the defendant, and instructed the prosecuting police officer to put the constable on report.

Mr. Cassidy, who was present, told his Worship that were his coolie even caught obstructing the entrance to the station in Stubbs Road, he would discharge the man immediately. The coolie had been in his employ for a whole year, and had given satisfaction.

world tour of the Americans who recently arrived in Calcutta by the s.s. California. At Kobe a woman fell over board and was drowned. While the party was making its way to Darjeeling, a retired lawyer from Pittsburgh fell from the train and was killed.

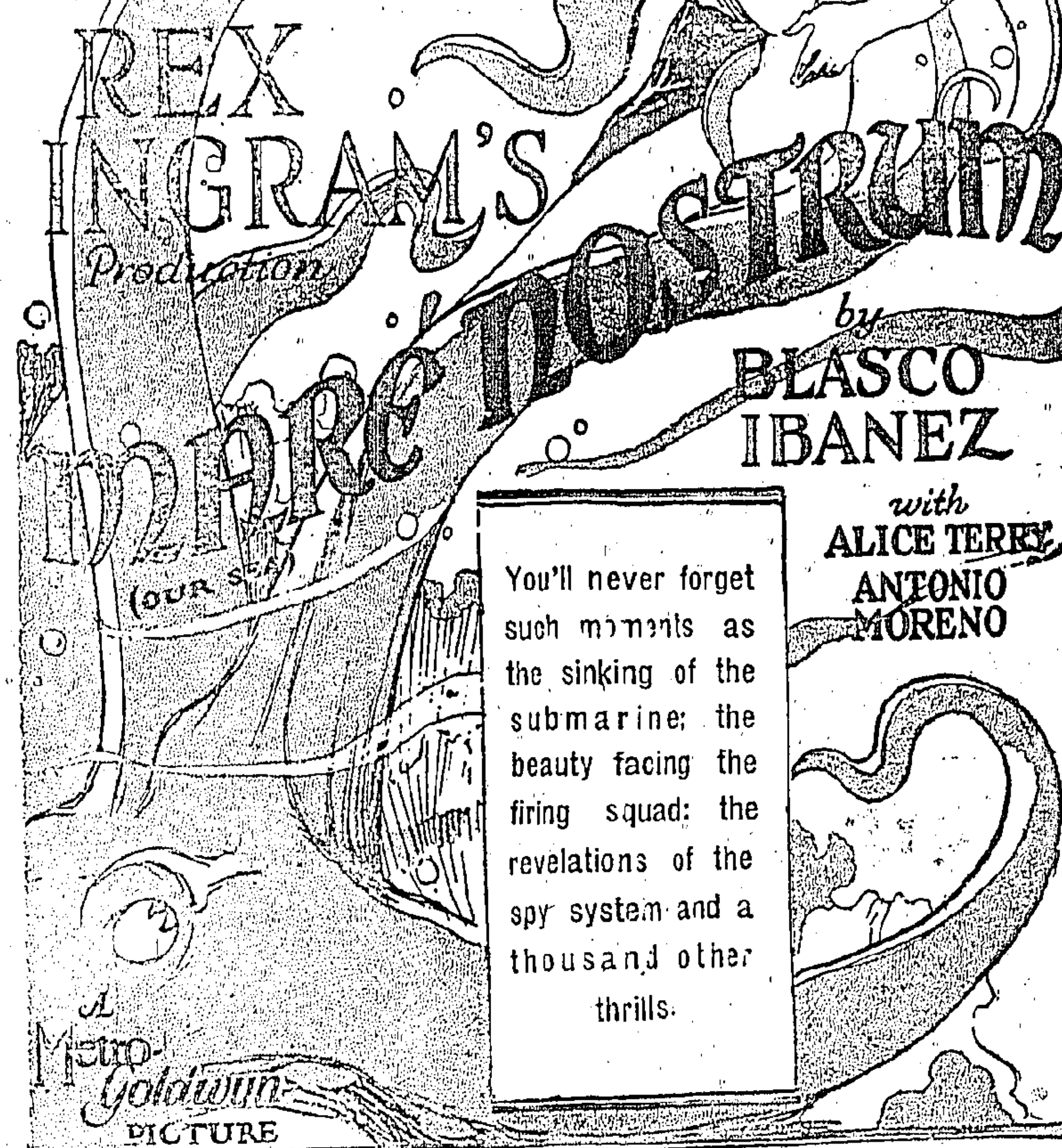
Viscount Grey, of Fallodon, in a letter to the *Times*, deprecates the Trade Unions Bill, which he says, is calculated to destroy the conciliation movement in industry and weaken the influence of the moderate leaders and force them into an alliance with the extremists. "The Bill cannot prevent a general strike," he states. "It is impossible to take legal proceedings against 100,000 strikers. It would have been better to have held an impartial enquiry into the trade union law, but the Government can only escape from the mess by having a general election."

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